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CITY NEWS.

Miss Marie I. Bell has been quite sick at her home the past fortnight.

Mrs. A. C. Payton who has been suffering with the grippe for the past few days is convalescent.

The Octoroon which was repeated last Monday at the Y. M. C. A. was not so well attended as hoped for.

The R. C. Embroidery club will meet with Mrs. G. Campbell at her home, 1056 16th street, Saturday March, 8th. Lunch will be served.

Mrs. J. B. Kush, president of the Women's State Federation of Colored Women's clubs, went to Davenport last Saturday to deliver one of her lectures.

Mr. W. H. Milligan, Grand Treasurer, was a Des Moines visitor last week, enroute from Omaha, Neb. He was the guest of John L. Thompson while here.

The Young Peoples Progressive Lyceum of Maple Street Baptist church will have as their program Tuesday evening a mock trial, using as their subject the recent Orpheum robbery. The public cordially invited.

The changeable month of March is here with her various kinds of weather from one extreme to the other, within one day. Those sudden changes are somewhat like some members of my race, you can't tell where they are or where the stand.

All members of Hawkeye Lodge I. B. P. O. E. of W. are hereby notified of a special meeting to be held Wednesday evening, March 12th at their hall. J. H. Sims, Sec.

The A. M. E. Sunday School will hold their Sunday School next Sunday at 2 o'clock instead of 3 o'clock, on account of quarterly meeting. Please take notice and come on time. All invited. The superintendent, C. B. Woods, wants to make the school much better this year.

Last Saturday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Fields the women of the Mother's Congress met and held a very interesting meeting with Dr. A. J. Booker as the principal speaker, his address dealing with Child Culture, which was full of practical suggestions and very interesting. The next meeting will be held the first Saturday in April at the residence of Mrs. S. Joe Brown.

The Intellectual Improvement club will hold its weekly session Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. P. Johnson on 13th street. The Negro Business Woman is the subject of a paper by Mrs. B. K. Mosby; Reading by Mrs. Harvey Brown and original quotations by the club.

Miss Florence Griffin, the only daughter of Mr. John Griffin, one of our successful farmers south of the city, is much improved in health since leaving the hospital. She is able to be back in the city again, which is good news to her many friends.

A REAL SURPRISE.
Members of Mt. Moriah Tabernacle, No. 587, Daughters of Tabor, completely stormed Mrs. Maude Wilkinson, C. R., 223 East Thirteenth street, Saturday at 8:30 p. m., March 1st. This being her 35th birthday anniversary. A two-course luncheon was brought and served by the members. They also presented her with a beautiful hand painted china nut set and hairpin receiver. All wished the hostesses many more happy birthdays.

The Clay-Hill club was entertained by the members of the Callanan Industrial club Friday evening at St. Paul's A. M. E. church. Rev. Bryce U. Taylor offered thanks, after which the members enjoyed a sumptuous repast. The feature of the meeting was a get together of the Negro republicans of Des Moines.

FOR SALE
Corner lot, 4th and Corning avenue, next to Cominsky's grocery store. Good corner for business. Cash only. Address owner, M. R. Griggs, Libertyville, Ill.

W. L. Jones of Mason City, Iowa, was in our city last week on business. He called at The Bystander office.

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The new G. U. O. of O. F. meets each Thursday night at their hall in Chesterfield.

Mr. William Smith is yet quite sick at his home, 220 Des Moines street. The family is much alarmed.

Mrs. Emily Rowland, Chillicothe, Mo., arrived in our city Thursday to visit with her daughters, Mrs. Florence Taylor and Mrs. Maude Wilkinson. She is now at the latter home, 223 East Thirteenth street.

Elsewhere will be seen the announcement of F. H. Sherriff, of the Capitol Hill Monument Co., East Des Moines, who is a candidate for school director next Monday. He is a good man and merits your support. He lives on the East Side and is a successful business man.

The Birthday club was entertained at the home of Mrs. M. E. Clug's on Eighteenth street Thursday, February 27. A very interesting program was enjoyed by those present, after which the hostess served a beautiful three-course dinner. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Dellinger, 818 East Fifth street Friday, March 7, at 2:30 p. m.

Rev. H. M. Rivers, who was sent to the East Side Mission by the A. M. E. conference, but found it in such a bad condition that he later began a new work in Chesterfield, first holding meetings in various homes, and he has increased his membership to thirty-one and has a Sunday school of about thirty-five, which shows what remarkable success Rev. Rivers is now having. He is a graduate of Qundoro college, Qundoro, Kans., and has been preaching for the past eleven years.

Dr. R. P. Beshears of St. Joseph, Mo., formerly an Iowa man, and a graduate of dentistry from the Iowa State university, in company with Young Crump, a student in the university, stopped off Thursday in our city en route from Iowa City, where Dr. Beshears was attending the annual alumni dental society meeting. He gave a gold filling demonstration on Wednesday. They were the guests of Archie Alexander. While here they made a very pleasant call at the Bystander office. Mr. Crump returned to the university Friday. He formerly was from Hedrick, Iowa, but is now of North Dakota.

A number of young people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rone, Fourteenth and Crocker streets, February 24th, for the purpose of organizing a literary society. It will be known as the Athenian Literary society. Mr. H. R. Graves acted as temporary president and Miss Eldora Burton as temporary secretary. It opened with a song and prayer. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. D. L. Wiley; vice president, Mrs. B. T. Angle; secretary, Miss Eldora Burton; assistant secretary, Miss Hattie Ritchey; treasurer, Miss Mary Wilkerson; critic, Miss Julia Newman; chaplain, Mr. H. R. Graves. The following program will be rendered Monday evening, March 10th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rone: Instrumental solo, Miss Wealtha Johnson; reading, Miss Eldora Burton; solo, Mrs. H. R. Graves; subject for discussion, "Which Has Done the Most for the Advancement of the Race, Religion or Education." Affirmative, Mr. E. Demmitt, Mrs. Sarah Wells; negative, Mrs. H. R. Graves, Mrs. Bertha Angle.

OBITUARY.
Mr. Wm. Mathews, who had been suffering for several weeks, was taken to the hospital last Monday to be operated on. He could not stand the operation and died Wednesday morning. He was well known here and well liked by all. He was born in Jackson, Miss., November 3, 1866, and came to our city about ten years ago, where he was married and has lived ever since. He was a member of the North Star Masonic lodge, A. F. & A. M. The funeral was held from the A. M. E. church Friday, conducted by Rev. B. U. Taylor, in charge of North Star Masonic lodge. Many beautiful floral offerings bespeaking their love. The body was laid to rest in Glendale cemetery.

AN AGED MAN GONE.
Mr. Steve Smith, a very old man, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ed Mason, on East Des Moines street last Wednesday. The remains were taken to his former home in Kirksville, Mo., for burial Thursday.

Many sufferers from rheumatism have been surprised and delighted with the prompt relief afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Not one case of rheumatism in ten requires any internal treatment whatever. This liniment is for sale by all dealers.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.
Mrs. and Mrs. W. H. Moore entertained at their residence, 1240 Thirtieth street, Friday, February 28th, at a 5 o'clock dinner in honor of Mrs. O. A. McKinney, of Omaha, Neb. Plates were laid for ten.

Mrs. O. A. McKinney, who has been visiting several weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. H. McClain of South Rock Island left Saturday evening for her home in Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. R. S. Johnson of Davenport is in the city with Mrs. Charles Windsor last Monday.

Mr. James Reese of Doimite, Ala., is visiting in the city, the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. M. Williams.

PROF. KINNEY FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR.

We are pleased to present the name of our old friend, Prof. Chas. N. Kinney of Drake university, who is a candidate for a member of the Des Moines school board, subject to the school election next Monday. Prof. Kinney is a fine man with good judgment and much experience as a school man especially fitted to be of much service on our school board. He merits your support.

OUR NEW PRESIDENT.

Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated president of the United States of America last Tuesday for one term of four years, amid much pomp and honor and enthusiasm, especially among the democrats, for it has been sixteen years since their party was in power. With the democrat president comes a democratic majority in both branches of Congress, so now the government is turned over to democracy, completely, and we admire the progressive views and spirit of President Wilson and his broad views we only hope—yet we doubt—that he will be able to carry them out. Our race will watch you, as never before, to see if you offer a gleam of hope for this young rising, struggling Negro race in America.

WHY HAVE A NEGRO EXHIBITION FOR IOWA.

For one half a century the American freedmen have struggled up here in Iowa to help make it the great state that she is, and under conditions whereto some extent, the general laws have been most favorable to him, and in those fifty years of hard toil, we have not exhibited any part of our toil, skill and brain, separately and collectively, as a race, to show our wonderful progress that we have made in the past fifty years. True, we have shown some of our work promiscuously with the exhibits of all other races and have taken first prizes, but to counter-act the bad impressions, that the shiftless and riff-raff element of our race, we who know what our race is now doing, especially the better class, are anxious to show the world, in a tangible and visible way, some of the real exhibitions of evidences of economical, industrial and educational standpoint. It would be helpful to both races and a great benefit to our young men and women, upon whose shoulder rests the future development of the race.

CHARLES HUTCHINSON FOR DIRECTOR.

The friends of Mr. Charles Hutchinson has presented his name as a candidate for school director of Des Moines, subject to the voters will next Monday. He came to our state in 1885 and has lived in North Des Moines for the past eleven years. He is a lawyer by profession, known as the law firm of Clark, Byers and Hutchinson. He is intensely interested in the development of the graded schools of our city. He had two children to graduate from North Des Moines high school and one child now in the graded schools. He is one of the best qualified by age, experience and would, if elected, make an ideal director then North Des Moines needs a member on the board.

NOTICE

The Executive Board of the Iowa Nebraska State Association will hold its second quarterly meeting March 11 and 13th at Marshalltown, Iowa. On the night of the 12th will occur the women's rally, at which time we hope to raise from all sources not less than fifty dollars. Let the presidents of the circles all over the state please bestir themselves and send not only your quarterly assessment but as much over as you can. Let us make this a great meeting for the Lord. Sisters, the call comes ringing loud and clear; let us hear and answer it at this meeting. Pray as if all depended on God, and work as if all depended on you.
—Mrs. W. A. Brown, State Pres.

MACKINNON FOR DIRECTOR.

On next Monday, March 10, 1913, we voters of Des Moines will be called upon to select three members of the school board at an election held for that purpose. There are already several candidates, announcing their names and among the many is the name of G. E. MacKinnon of West Des Moines, who is president of the Mechanics Savings bank. He has lived in our city along time and has been interested in the development of Des Moines for many years by age and acquaintances. His many friends are working hard for him and they ask you to vote for him next Monday.

The Progressive Art club will meet Wednesday, February 27th, with Mrs. George Johnson, on Dearborn street. Mrs. John Slaughter is very sick at her home on Eighth street and Sixth avenue.

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P. B. SHERIFF
Adv.

BURLINGTON, IOWA.

Thursday evening, February 20th, at the home of Mrs. Mitchell, 308 North Eighth street, occurred the wedding of his son, Mr. Chas. Mitchell, and Miss Martina Wallace, both of Monmouth, Ill. Rev. J. W. Smith performed the ceremony. The happy couple will reside in Monmouth.

A party, celebrating her seventh birthday, was given Miss Ruth Penn, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. B. R. Penn, at their home, 606 South Eighth street, on Saturday, March 1st. Sixteen boys and girls spent the afternoon in games and music, and a three course lunch was served. The

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DES MOINES, IOWA

little girl received a number of very pretty presents.

Mr. Scott E. Jones, head engineer for the Peoples' Gas & Electric plant, was off duty several days with la grippe.

Mrs. Josie Bland entertained the members of the Art Industrial club, and their friends on Thursday evening, March 6th, at her home, 136 South Sixth street.

The rehearsals of the senior and junior choirs of St. Johns A. M. E. church, for the Easter services, are very successful.

Master Adelphais Jones received special commendation at the eighth grade graduation exercises, and Washington's birthday entertainment, for the remarkable facility he displayed as captain of the Washington guards.

Mrs. L. M. Abel entertained a few friends at a 6 o'clock dinner, Tuesday evening, March 4th.

Mr. Albert Ackman left Wednesday evening for Peoria, Ill., where he expects to engage in the vacuum cleaning business.

Mrs. Wm. Dixon served a farewell dinner at her home on South Fifteenth street, on Sunday evening, in honor of her mother, Mrs. M. Braxton, of Louisiana, Mo.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Mrs. Mate Clark and three children, Zella, Nola and Ralph, are quarantined with Scarlet fever.

Mrs. Henry E. Williams was a business visitor in Muscatine Tuesday.

Mr. Kitt Thompson of Clinton has returned to his home after a short visit with his wife and relatives.

The Eastern Star lodge has made an increase of three new members, Mrs. Luther Williams, John McClellan and Miss Birdie Williams.

Mrs. Young of Kansas City has returned home, accompanied by her daughters, Miss Elenora and Mrs. Helen Anderson.

A two weeks revival at the Second Baptist church, conducted by Rev. V. S. Cooper of Chicago, resulted in seventeen additions to the church, nine of whom are candidates for baptism. The baptizing will take place Easter Sunday.

The Benevolent club will meet Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Woodfork, and will be entertained by Miss Susie Strothers.

The children of both the Methodist and Baptist churches are preparing for their Easter program.

A large audience of members and friends assembled at the Second Baptist church Sunday night to witness the first anniversary services of pastor, T. J. Carr. The sermon was preached by Rev. Cooper. The pulpit was decorated with rare and costly flowers furnished by the Benevolent club, the Sewing circle and the young ladies of the church.

Rev. V. S. Cooper left Monday at 1:30 o'clock for his home in Chicago.

You can say good bye to constipation with a clear conscience if you use Chamberlain's Tablets. Many have been permanently cured by their use. For sale by all dealers.

SIoux CITY.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Samuel Bryant Thursday evening.

The estate of the late Henry Riding has been settled and the heirs have all received their respective parts. The Mt. Zion Baptist and A. M. E. church are coming in for their parts, which was \$300 dollars a piece.

Mr. Martin Powell, who is still in the city soliciting funds for his school at Centerville Ala., will speak at the A. M. E. church Tuesday evening.

Died, in the city, Sunday, March 2, 1913, Mrs. Jessie Pike of consumption, aged 38 years. She has been a residence of our city for several years. She leaves a husband to mourn her departure. The funeral was held from Westcott chapel, Tuesday at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. M. H. Spencer preached the sermon. Interment in Floyd cemetery.

Mr. Ulysses Grant, who has been confined to his home for sometime, is improving nicely.

The concert given at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening by Rev. Dr. R. Knight, was largely attended and a success, socially and financially.

The A. M. E. church has lifted the mortgage of the church, which has been hanging on for six years. The last cent was paid last week, which was \$130.00. The old trustees of the church are rejoicing over the success. Those trustees, who were in trust, were, namely: Bros. Joseph Nomis, Louis Grant and Adison Lee.

The mortgage was burnt after the Sunday evening service by Father Jackson Askew, the oldest man in the church.

Don't forget the calendar social, which will take place at the Mt. Zion Baptist church, Tuesday evening, March 11, 1913.

"I have used Madam P. M. Dabney's XXth Century Shampoo, Hair Grower and Pressing Oil and will testify with the utmost truth that it is wonderful discovery. My scalp was covered with dandruff and nothing ever relieved it before; my hair was harsh and short. After using two sets of XXth Century Hair Preparations I can sing praise for the good results I have received. I have no dandruff, my hair is soft and growing nicely. I am willing that this be published for the benefit of others who are troubled with dandruff and short hair."

Mrs. Jennie Griffin,
2525 Woodland Avenue,
Kansas City, Mo.

STATE OF IOWA.

Office of
AUDITOR OF STATE.

ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 1, 1913.

Whereas, The American Insurance Company, located at Newark in the state of New Jersey, has filed in this office a sworn statement of its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1912, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance.

Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, John L. Bleakley, auditor of state, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire insurance in the state, by agents properly appointed, as required by law, until the first day of March, A. D., 1914.

I further certify that the statement shows:

1st. The actual amount of paid-up capital of said Company, December 31, 1912, to be \$1,000,000.00

2d. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, December 31, 1912, to be 9,866,174.57

3d. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reimburse all outstanding risks, December 31, 1912, to be 6,781,072.05

4th. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1912, to be 4,335,093.56

5th. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1912, to be 3,775,706.20

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

John L. Bleakley,
Auditor of State.

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MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA.
(Special to Bystander.)

The First Colored Baptist church here held its third meeting at the church building Friday evening Feb. 28. This is a new organization in the church and has much the same aims and management as other lyceums. Every meeting has been largely attended and on each meeting night a program of merit has been given.

Mrs. Belle Bush, who has been very ill with la grippe for the past three weeks, is improving very rapidly.

Mrs. C. Young, daughter and son, Miss Stella Ringo and Mrs. K. Clarke are on the sick list this week.

Walter Smith of Buxton was a business caller Monday.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of coughs, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by all dealers.

BUXTON, IOWA.

Miss Reola Buford, who has this winter attended school in Hiteman, was forced to abandon her studies and return to her home to have her eyes treated and regain her health. She returned with her mother, Mrs. Hal Buford last Wednesday.

Mrs. John Rowlet continues very sick.

Mrs. Rose Watson and Mrs. Mary Rhodes are new members of the Mt. Zion Sunday school. They joined class B.

Mrs. John Burks of South Buxton has moved into the camp, to remain indefinitely. Mr. Burks, who has been out of the camp for about a year, improving his farm in the far west, is expected home soon.

Mrs. Ethel Neal, who for the past three months visited her parents in Mo., is home again.

Mr. Wm. Reasby, who for the past two years has lived south of Buxton on one of Mrs. John Taylor's farms, has moved to the Burks home, farther west.

Ulysses Price, G. W. Pendleton, Wm. Wheeler and W. A. Brown, Jr., are members of a quartette to be known as the P. P. B. W., with Mr. Price as manager. They promise some real treats in the way of song in the near future.

The Industrial club was entertained in the home of Mrs. Burnett James last Wednesday.

The Mission Circle of the Mt. Zion church met in the home of Sister, M. L. Porter, No. 8, East Fourth street, last Thursday.

Sunday was a very cold day, following a severe blizzard on Saturday, but it did not, in any way, hinder the church services from the point of interest. At the A. M. E. church, Pastor J. Lewis Wharton preached very beautifully from Roman 12th chapter, and though only 15 minutes was used in delivering this sermon, it had effect on the hearts of those who heard it. At the morning service, one joined in the person of Mrs. Florence Wise, blessed the effort, and six came forward for prayer.

Sunday was general class meeting at the A. M. E. church, and the choir proved themselves worthy of their place in church by their splendid singing, and for this Pastor Wharton was very thankful, for he is not only a lover of singing, but a real singer.

COLFAX NOTES.

Rev. W. H. Clark expects to go in few weeks to South Dakota and if he likes the place, possibly will homestead.

Mr. S. H. Spencer is contemplating on going to Keokuk and going into some kind of business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Beasley entertained J. W. Holmes at Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Lulu Edgar, who has been an employe at Hotel Colfax, has resigned her position, on the account of an attack of appendicitis.

Miss Hattie McKee accompanied her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bell McKee to Ohio to spend several weeks' visiting.

Mrs. Somie Freely received the sad news of the death of her sister, who is located at Evaston, Ill.

Mr. J. J. Beasley and Mrs. E. Banks, who were on the sick list last week, are much improved.

Mrs. Susie Vertrees is on the sick list this week.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

C. R. Gilbert of Lovilla was an over Sunday visitor.

Services were observed at all Colored churches Sunday.

The young people as well as older persons are taken great interest in the Literary, which is held at Shorters chapel, A. M. E. church each Tuesday evening.

James Crowder, recently from Beatrice, Neb., but now of Evans, Iowa, spent Sunday with Rupert Franklin.

Russell Koimer of Ewart, Iowa, was a guest of his parents, Saturday and Sunday at Beacon, Iowa.

Miss Anna Crump is visiting at the home of her brother in Ottumwa.

Miss Edna Jones went to Ottumwa Monday to meet her mother, Mrs. E. E. Jones, who has been spending the winter in Chicago.

Miss Anna Wilson is visiting at the parental Jones residence.

Alphonzo Kimbraugh, formerly of this city, but now located in Mason City, spent Sunday with his parents.

Edward Greene past through this city Wednesday, enroute to his home in Buxton, from Des Moines, where he has been visiting his sisters.

Otho and O. C. Donally spent a few hours calling on friends Sunday, enroute from St. Louis to Harnton, Iowa.

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SAID "GET OUT OF THE RUT"

Doctor's Prescription Started Home-Loving Woman, but There Was Much Good Sense in It.

"Why don't you get out more?" insisted the doctor, and though the patient shuddered, he kept right on insisting. "You are never going to get well unless you get about, and mind this, unless you learn to stand people, live with them, talk to them, divide with them, enjoy them."

"People," moaned the patient, "weren't made for anything but to write stories about. And as for talk, I always know what they are going to say before they say it."

"You only think you do. Shake yourself together and get out and put the thing to proof. You've got to do it sooner or later. There soon isn't going to be any room in the world for the woman who wants to sit in her own little corner with a high fence around it, writing, painting, mothering. One by one they are coming out, house-mothers, poets, artists, novelists, each one finding that she owes something in outside service. And you needn't lie there and shake as if your case were special. All the other women have just the same physical timidity and physical lethargy to overcome that you have. Every other inmate home-keeping woman who makes the least little venture into social service of any kind knows how like the breaking up of a great river, when the spring thaw is on, is the arousing, how tradition holds her back with rivets of ice and rims of frost; how hard it is to connect up with the workers already in the field. There is nothing special in your case, madam, unless you make it special by holding back when the others are coming on."

"Oh, do hush," said the patient, "or first thing you know I'll be coming along, too."

Caught in His Own Trap.
A plain clothes liquor enforcement officer, desirous of catching a violator of the prohibition law, approached a suspicious looking individual on a downtown street one morning, and said in low tones: "Say, pard; could yer tell a feller what's arful dry what he cud git a dink o' red-eye?"

The suspicious looking individual, being somewhat wiser than his looks would indicate, thought a minute and replied that liquor was pretty scarce, and that he couldn't tell him a thing, but if he really needed a drink, he could get him a bottle for \$2, provided he would await his return in a very few minutes. The officer accepted. The suspicious looking individual exhibited a shoe box to the officer, with the remark, "You may hold this pair of shoes as security for the \$2 until my return."

He made his departure. The officer was complimenting himself on his own cunningness. A half hour elapsed and the stranger had not returned, whereupon the officer opened the shoe box, and to his utter amazement discovered that he had already bought a quart of whisky, but the "wise guy" was nowhere to be found.—Exchange.

Conclusive Proof.
Magistrate—And what was the prisoner doing?
Constable—"E were avin' a very 'eated argument with a cab driver, yer worship."

Magistrate—But that doesn't prove he was drunk.
Constable—"Ah! But there worn't no cab driver there, yer worship.—London Opinion."

Can You Beat It?
Howard Chandler Christy was giving a dinner one evening at Martin's in honor of a number of famous artists. Frivolity prevailed, and soon the conversation turned to art.

Said one of them: "The other day I painted a little dead board in imitation of marble with such accuracy that, on being thrown into the water, it immediately sank to the bottom."
"Pugh!" said another. "Yesterday I hung my thermometer on the easel supporting my view of the polar region. It fell an once 20 degrees below freezing point."

"All that is nothing," remarked the third artist, in conclusion. "My portrait of a prominent New York millionaire was so lifelike that it had to be shaved twice a week."

Two Versions.
"Mrs. Potkin speaks of the fashionable Mrs. Swashby as 'My dear friend, Mrs. Swashby.'"
"And how does Mrs. Swashby speak of Mrs. Potkin?"
"She refers to her as 'Mrs.—er—what in the world is that woman's name?'"

Undoubtedly Fashionable.
After hearing a description of the riotous scenes that had attended one of the recent international weddings in New York, the countess of Aberdeen said at a tea:

"I understand now a joke an American once cracked at my house. He was telling me about a New York wedding, and I said:

"Was it a fashionable one?"
"Oh, very fashionable," he answered. "The bride's dress was torn off her back."

He Knew.
"Richard doesn't know his letters very well," explained his mother to the school teacher, "but he's very quick a learning figure." "What is this, dear?" asked the teacher, pointing to the letter B. "Dat," replied Richard proudly, "is a 13 jammed together."

Volunteer Aid.
"James, there's a burglar down stairs. I'm going for help." "Wait a minute, I'll go with you."—Harper's Magazine.

INCREASE IS SHOWN

Admissions to Benevolent Institutions Make Gains.

Figures in Report of the Census Bureau Show That Millions Were Cared For—Placing-Out of Children in Families Noted.

Washington.—A special report on benevolent institutions in continental United States is in course of preparation by the bureau of the census, in connection with the thirteenth census, and preliminary figures, together with certain data relating to inmates of these institutions, have just been issued by order of Director E. Bana Durand. These figures are subject to revision, but are substantially correct.

The total number of institutions reported is 5,397, classified as follows: Institutions for the care of children, 1,152; societies for the protection and care of children, 212; institutions for the care of adults and children, 1,442; institutions for the education and care of the blind and deaf, 119; hospitals, classified as benevolent, 1,896, and dispensaries, classified as benevolent, 576.

In these institutions, or under their care, there were at the close of the year, 380,237 persons, apportioned as follows: Institutions for children, 107,401; societies for the protection and care of adults and children, 121,876; institutions for the blind and deaf, 651; hospitals, 28,869. The movement of inmates during the year is indicated by the fact that 82,011 children were received into institutions, while 37,825 were placed in families or institutions, mostly in families, and chiefly by societies for their care, 788,591 persons were received into institutions for adults or adults and children, and 2,654 into institutions for the blind and deaf; 1,975,838 patients were treated in hospitals, and 2,439,059 in dispensaries.

As compared with the previous report, that for 1904, the number of institutions reported shows an increase of 1,346 (day nurseries, of which 166 were reported in 1904, were not included in 1910) inmates of institutions at close of year, an increase of 95,975; children received into institutions during the year, an increase of 11,186; patients treated in hospitals, an increase of 911,326, and in dispensaries, of 827,408. There was a decrease of 109,319 in the number of persons received into institutions for adults or adults and children, and of 4,471 in the number received into institutions for the blind and deaf.

Whether the increase indicates greater need or greater care and more complete provision is a question which must await a more careful study of the question, as also the question as to the decrease. Two items are of special interest, the collection for the first time of data in regard to the placing out of children in families, and the notably increased interest manifested in the treatment of tuberculosis, which accounts to a very considerable degree for the increase in the number of dispensaries and to some degree of hospitals and sanitariums.

Thus the net number of dispensaries added to the list is 420, and of these nearly 200 are county dispensaries established in the state of Pennsylvania by the department of health for the treatment of tuberculosis. The decrease of 109,319 in the number of persons received into institutions for the care of adults or adults and children is chiefly confined to institutions for the temporary care of men who are destitute.

Noting the distribution of institutions in the states, it appears that New York leads with 797, an increase of 200 over the figures in 1904; Pennsylvania has 692, an increase of 301; Massachusetts, 359, an increase of 104; Illinois, 324, an increase of 39; Ohio, 311, an increase of 52, and New Jersey, 207, an increase of 58.

The eternal feminine still rules the hearts of enlisted men in the navy and marine corps in their choice of a tattooing design for their personal adornment. Surgeon Ammen Farenholt of the navy, who has made some interesting researches in the subject, finds that one man in three, both in the navy and the marine corps, selects a decoration, part of which represents a female figure.

Surgeon Farenholt finds that after enlistment the sailorman acquires tattooing more frequently than the marine, the percentage being 53 to 35; that tattooing is about as prevalent in the army as in the marine corps, and that the character of the designs shows a remarkable similarity and a continuance of choice in unchanged channels.

"Several of the more strictly decorative and time-honored patterns," said Surgeon Farenholt, "were rarely met. The Jerusalem cross and the pig on the dorsum of the foot were not seen; crosses, crucifixes, Neptune, mermaids and the tombstone, weeping willow. In Memory of My Mother, once so common, appeared in diminishing numbers. Bracelets, knots and tattooing on exposed parts are also disappearing. The significance and superstition of many of these marks are rapidly becoming lost, as we have lost forever the gold earrings, the pigtail and the tarpan hat of the ancient mariner, and the conventional boat designs of the professional tattooer are more in evidence. A certain levity in selection, which the old tar would certainly deprecate, is often seen—for example,

Better to Tackle the Jury.
Judge Goggin of Chicago had before him a negro who was accused of fraud by means of voodooism. In a complaint to the grand jury several of his race had said that the doctor had milked them. He claimed the power to exorcise a devil and cast it into a dog. Then by way of croaking the dog the discomfiture of the devil was to be made complete.

The doctor tried this on a South side circle, collected and came to side.

the Katzenjammer kids, Happy Hooligan, tennis rackets, bat and balls, glasses of beer, socks, etc. The influence of Japanese work is increasingly noticed; dragons, flowers, butterflies, animals and Japanese women are very common. No evidence of infection or the transmission of disease was noticed.

"The Growing" was the subject of a lecture to the blind, delivered in the National Library for the Blind the other day by Dr. T. Galloway, chief cleric of the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture.

Clippings and seeds of tea plants were distributed among his audience for their inspection. Dr. Galloway also passed around a Japanese tea-making device and a teacup.

Dr. Galloway said that there were just three sorts of tea, black, green and oolong. The black tea is obtained by a process of fermentation, arrested at the exquisite moment of perfection. Green tea is unfomented. Oolong is partially fomented.

There are 350,000,000 cups of tea drunk in a year in the United States, about one pound to each individual. England, he said, is the great tea-drinking nation of the occidental world.

The tea-raising industry in Ceylon, Java, Japan and China was described. The development of a thousand or more years of culture in these tea gardens afforded an interesting topic of descriptions.

Tea grown in the United States on the estate developed by Dr. E. S. Shepard of South Carolina, who never saw tea grown in the countries where it came from, gave Dr. Galloway opportunity to describe an American industry which may become important.

Charles, the smiling colored messenger who attends the footsteps of Oscar Underwood, who sits so importantly on the outside of the big ways and means committee room in the house office building while the tariff is being slaughtered inside, had a great field day a few days ago. It was the date of the hearing on the tobacco schedule, and the men who were pleading with the committee represented enough smoking material to satisfy a world of smokers. My Lady Nicotine had her ambassadors there in full force, and they all carried samples of their goods. At the doorway they had tossed half-smoked Havanas worth a half dollar apiece in such abandoned recklessness that the most barefaced "snipe hunter" would have fainted from sheer joy. There seemed to be \$50 worth of fine Havanas lying there in a state of neglect.

As for Charles, he was a human tobacco shop. His pockets bulged with fine, big black after-dinner cigars, little light ones, perfectos and all the other shapes and sizes. On his face was a grin that lasted the whole day long. If all the other hearings are as profitable to Charles as that one was he will be supplied with food, clothes, glassware, jewelry, perfume and everything else for the rest of his life.

The common finger bowl was officially put under the ban by the United States public health service. Surgeon C. H. Lavender says in his report that the finger bowl in common use in hotels and restaurants is removed only a degree from the common drinking cup, and that diseases are transmitted to patrons in even the high-class restaurants.

His observations were taken in New York, Philadelphia and Washington, where he says a few finger bowls do service for many patrons, and only occasionally is fresh water poured into them.

Big Checks Are Safe.
"Uncle Ike" Stephenson demonstrated to some of the employes in the senate that a man with a check for \$1,500,000 is more immune from robbery than a man with five dollars.

Senator Stephenson, who is said to be the richest man in the senate, and who loves to talk about his money, showed some of the gaping senate employes a check for \$1,500,000. It was in payment of lumber and timber lands sold to a Louisiana company.

It appeared Uncle Ike had carried the check several days. One employe protested that he was too careless with it and was likely to lose it.

"What if it did?" asked the lumberman. "Nobody could cash it."

This is the biggest draft seen about the capitol since the time, years ago, when Henry Gassaway Davis displayed one for \$7,000,000. He had just sold a railroad.

Last of the Species.
In one of the suburbs of Washington there is a lone tree, known among botanists as *Gordonia*, which is one of the last remnants of a dying race. This tree, with small white flowers, makes a good shade tree, and there used to be a good many of them in the south. But they have all disappeared except this one and a few in the Philadelphia park. The government is interested in the tree and preparations are being made to save and propagate the species.

Metallic Sponge Invented.
A Danish scientist, M. Hannover, has invented a metallic sponge, which has recently come into industrial use. It is composed of an alloy of lead and antimony, and consist of a loose meshed network inclosing spaces of larger or smaller size. It is employed for absorbing resin, oils, etc.

When arraigned the judge said to him: "So you say you have these supernatural powers, do you?"
The coon responded quickly. "Yes, yer honor," he exclaimed. "Ah could throw yo' into a trance right in this here coture-room." And he made a couple of preliminary passes.

"Spare yourself the trouble, me bucko," answered the judge. "Never mind me. Throw the jury into a trance or they'll be throwing you into the penitentiary, I'm thinking."

PICTURESQUE WIFE OF THE SIAMESE MINISTER

Princess Traides Prabsand, the wife of the Siamese minister to Washington, is a lady belonging to the highest class of nobility. She is a native of Bangkok, and well equipped to maintain a social position at a court or in the simpler environment of a republican capital. The princess and her two children arrived in Washington shortly before Christmas.

The minister's last post was in London, and he was transferred to the Washington post last spring. His family remained in Bangkok, and sailed from there to Genoa, where the minister met them in December and brought them to their new home. Her little ones are given unremitting care, a feature of the oriental mother that is most admirable. But she has leisure to enjoy Washington at its best, the soft weather of early winter and the gay circle of fetes.

The princess as a representative Siamese mother considers her duty to her little ones of paramount importance, and she gives every detail the closest attention. The older is a dainty little girl called Pantip, and the boy is Thevatia, and an important member of the family is a pure white English bulldog, "Kim." He is their constant companion and playmate, and accompanies them on all their excursions abroad.

She is proud of her country and is entirely conversant with the tremendous strides which it has made in the past twenty years. But the oriental noblewoman does not concern herself with such considerations except in the broadest way. Her sphere is definitely defined for the social and domestic role, at least in Siam. The extension of women from any part of family life has never been a tenet of those who follow the teachings of the gentle Buddha. The wife of the Siamese noble is on little different plane from the wife of the European in the same station, at least since the western civilization took such firm root and spread to every division of life.

But the Siamese never had restrictions, even in time when it was one of the isolated and absolutely inclosed kingdoms. They were always educated in a certain sense and that they are being more carefully taught is no different, they think, from the procedure of the rest of the world. They have now an excellent school system founded on the very best type and teachers of every nationality imparting the various good features of their mode. "The Siamese lady of today, says the princess, lives much as her sister everywhere. They preside over the fetes which their husbands and take a deep interest in their housekeeping. They visit among themselves and among the foreigners who live among them and give their own entertainments. They are fond of needlework and do it exquisitely, one of their favorite gifts being pieces of embroidery for personal use.

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WELCOME THE PEON

Enormous Migration of Mexicans to the Southwest.

Laborers Are Needed and There is No "Brown Peril"—Half-Starved Immigrant Speedily Becomes Well Fed American.

According to the last census there were in Texas then 128,000 Mexicans. In Arizona, New Mexico and California there are many more thousands. They are mostly of the peon class. How many thousands have come during the two years since the census was taken cannot be accurately known. It is stated, however, that for nearly a year every passenger train departing for the north is filled with them. And there are some people who talk of a "brown peril."

Only a few years ago it was rare to see a Mexican in central or north-western Texas. Now they are to be seen in great numbers in every part of the state, all through Oklahoma, and even up in Kansas and as far north as Nebraska. Railroad section gangs in the southwest are made up of Mexicans, all but the foreman, who "Jords" it over the lowly greaser, and shouts his orders in a mixed patois of Spanish and English.

"Here, you homb! Pick up that rail, my pronto and underly along with it."

On the cotton plantations of Texas Mexicans are rapidly taking the place of negroes; this is particularly true of the more southern parts. And only a small percentage who come into Texas as for the cotton picking season ever go back. Between seasons they find employment in the towns or on the farms. Complaint is made that the younger negroes are unreliable.

There is hardly a town in Texas that does not have its Mexican colony, in San Antonio, which was originally occupied almost exclusively by Mexicans, there is a very large Mexican settlement. In El Paso, Austin and other cities the Mexicans live in colonies to themselves. In the border territory all the smaller towns are divided into American and Mexican residential districts. The Mexican settlements are usually known as "Little Mexico," "Little Chihuahua" or by some other Mexican designation.

There are in Mexico approximately 12,000,000 of the lower peon class. During the last two years war and consequent business depression have compelled thousands to seek employment in the United States. So great has become this exodus that the Mexican government has been studying how to stop it.

The Mexican peon is devoted to his family. In practically every instance where a married man of the lower class comes here he brings with him his entire family. Their wants are comparatively few. It is surprising to see how rapidly they emerge from poverty and shabbiness when they get established in homes on this side of the Rio Grande. With their first wages they buy shoes all around and throw aside their ill-fitting sandals. Then come the discarding of the blanket, and in place of the same cotton trousers and thin shirt of the same material there are donned warm suits of American clothing. In a very short time the transformation from a shabby, half-starved, poverty-stricken Mexican to that of a well-fed, prosperous appearing man of the laboring class of the American type is completed. The former peon has found himself. He begins to take pride in his own so-called Americanism.

In Texas and the southwest generally there is no antagonism toward the Mexicans who come in. As a general thing they are as well treated as any other workman.

Never in the history of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico was the demand for common laborers greater. So long as this demand exists the Mexican peon will be warmly welcomed. From the standpoint of the men who need laborers there is no "brown peril."

Case of Necessity.
Speaking of table etiquette some time since, Gen. E. Burd Grubb told a story about a man who was justified in eating pie with a knife. Smith was standing in a hotel lobby one day, according to the general, talking to Jones, when the conversation turned to a dinner that had been given at the home of a mutual acquaintance named Brown.

"You should have seen Barton," remarked Jones, referring to one of the guests. "I thought he had better table manners. When the pie was served he actually ate it with a knife."

"I don't blame him for that," was the startling reply of Smith.

"You don't blame him?" repeated Jones in amazement.

"No," smilingly rejoined Smith. "I have eaten pie at Brown's myself and it is a wonder to me that Barton didn't take an ax."

Stoughton Bottles.
The term "Stoughton bottle" as a synonym of "bump on a log" or other description of useless idleness, originated more than fifty years ago, when Stoughton bottles were as common on every bar as vermouth is today.

They were not as much used, and as a consequence the "Stoughton bottle" was a more or less idle ornament, and to the frequenter of bar-rooms

AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

One of the most remarkable settlements in the south is the one located five miles in the country from Athens, Ga., and established and now taught by Jedia C. Jackson Harris, a colored woman, who has accumulated a large farm, several model buildings, and is doing some of the best work known to the state educational department in training the people of her race along practical industrial lines. Recently she was married to Samuel Harris, the founder and promoter of the "Black Mammy Memorial," an institution which has attracted attention over the entire country, north and south. Farming, gardening, canning, cooking, washing, sewing, fancy work, bakery, carpenter work, blacksmithing and a high school literary course are the feature of the curriculum which the colored woman has been carrying in her institution for several years. She called it the "Model Training School." It is situated in a thickly settled negro section of the county—the rural regions typical. Since she began her work there have been twenty-one houses owned by negroes in the vicinity painted; there have been organs and pianos introduced; there have been profit-bearing gardens cultivated; there have been large increases in the taxable property returned. The criminal element has almost entirely moved out and the settlement is a model one indeed. The oldest student at the school this month is a negro man nearly seventy years of age who declares that it is his ambition now to learn to read a chapter in the Bible by himself. He is making good progress and in the meantime he is being taught manual science.

We should like very much to call the attention of the ministers of the race to dancing. Advanced reform and the white Christian churches of the country have already come to the conclusion that dancing cannot if it should be stopped. They have, therefore, wisely taken dancing and have turned it to their own purposes to the uplift and to the benefit of their communities. One or two churches have sensibly inaugurated dancing parties in their parish houses. Municipal reform committees have prudently established dance halls in the slum sections of the big cities, and now are supervising the diversion not only to the pleasure, but to the moral and physical benefit of the community. Many colored pastors are pursuing the foggy practice of condemning all dancing and exclude such of their members and prospective members as refuse to abide by their unwarranted dictation in matters of proper personal privilege and rights. Their pews are empty, and the colored youth, old and young, male and female, is dancing, to the detriment of the church finances, to the detriment of the good work they could otherwise do. The white Methodists, at their recent convention, decided that they would not put a ban on its dancing members. The colored churches, if they will fulfill their mission today, will go out to the dancers, and not forbid them to enter the kingdom of heaven. The enlightened, liberty-loving Catholic now eats meat on Friday if he wants to, and the church is quitting its dictation. The enlightened, prosperous Hebrew is eating pork when he cares, and the synagogue is letting down its antedated, boomeranging bar. Let the colored church be progressive. Let it condemn vulgarity and immorality everywhere, but let it turn dancing to its own account.—Exchange.

It is not always easy to be optimistic regarding the race question in this country. There are times when the unanimous verdict of visitors from abroad—that this is our gravest problem—sinks into the heart. The adjustment of two races, living together with mutual respect in the same country, coveting, and contributing to, the same civilization—surely this is an immense achievement for 90,000,000 of people. It is a task so enormous that it must exact for the next fifty years the best thought and the best feeling which the country possesses.

Mr. Thomas Galloway of Ware, Alabama, is an example of what a thrifty industrial Negro farmer can do in the south. He owns six hundred and eighty-five acres of land west of Ware, and forty acres east of Ware. He is at the head of three turpentine farms with the home office at Ware, Alabama. He has seven renters and one share-cropper on his place and advances money to five of them. He states that he accumulated this amount in five years. Mr. Galloway, his wife and children all work together.

A portable control for electric cranes that can be suspended from a man's shoulders has been invented for facilitating the loading or unloading of vessels.

Skip all the details of your love affair, my friend, and proceed to the conclusion! Were you married or did you live happily ever after?

The minister who feels sad when he reflects on the sorrows of humanity is apt to feel sadder still when he reflects on the amusements.

Railroad rails with renewable tread, consisting of strips of hard steel to be fastened into their heads, are the invention of a French engineer.

"Hard work is beneficial," says a physician. Of course it is—if the other fellow does not charge us too much for doing it.

The nearest thing to eternity is waiting on the street corner for a fellow who is not absolutely sure to come.

Mr. Jesse Washington, a wholesale and retail grocer of Marlin, Texas, is an example of the up-to-date Negro business man. Mr. Washington was formerly a school teacher, but happened one day to read an article of Dr. Booker T. Washington's advising the Negro to branch out, he quit the school room and embarked in business. He now operates a wholesale and retail grocery store at Marlin. He carries regularly a \$10,000 stock. When he began business in Marlin, there was only one Negro business in the town and this was falling because the proprietor was unable to buy so as to successfully compete with the white businesses of the town. He has been able to buy goods in large enough quantities to successfully meet competition. He has also been able to sell to the colored businesses so that they can also meet competition. This has been helpful in building up colored businesses in Marlin. There are now thirteen prosperous Negro businesses in this small town. Mr. Washington is assisted in his business by two of his sons, one of whom is a graduate of the Bryant & Stratton Business College of Chicago, and the other has just graduated from an emulating school in that city. Mr. Washington's success in Marlin is an indication of what can be done in almost any small town in the south and is an inspiration to young colored men to engage in business.

The semi-annual executive meeting of the National Negro Press association, with representatives from 40 states, was held at Washington, Chairman N. B. Dodson of New York presided and his report gave the association a membership of 300, representing 850 newspapers and magazines published by negroes. Arrangements were made for the fourth annual meeting in Washington next August of the National association, and Professor R. R. Wright, Jr., editor of the Christian Recorder, was appointed chairman of a committee to complete the program and compile a reliable directory of negro publications. The formation of a national bureau for the dissemination of news of interest to negroes was also arranged for. Those who made addresses were Representative Harry W. Bass, Rev. E. W. Johnson, Everett J. Waring, T. Thomas Fortune, Fred R. Moore, H. A. Anderson of New York; W. L. Porter of Tennessee; S. J. Jones and ex-Congressman George H. White. The officers elected are R. M. Thompson, Washington, D. C., president; Joseph I. Jones, Cincinnati, and S. J. Jones, Philadelphia, vice-presidents; Henry A. Boyd and W. L. Pates, both of Tennessee, secretaries, and John L. Thompson, Iowa, treasurer.

With the filing of his will at Minnola, L. I., for probate it became known that James Hammond, an Oyster Bay negro, left an estate estimated at \$20,000. Hammond could not read or write. His will is signed with his mark. He was upward of 70 years old, and for fifty years had been employed on the Weeks estate. The will was made the day before his death. It leaves \$2,000 to his friend James Scudder, the same amount to Sarah Mayhew Scudder, \$5,000 to Bertha Edith Hammond, his daughters, and \$1 each to a number of nephews. How many of them there are he did not know, as he had not heard from them in years, and they may all be dead. The three who receive direct bequests are the residuary legatees.

Talk is more effective when backed by deeds; but it loses power if its purposes are unrighteous. There is too much graft for our well-being, and unless we change tactics in our relation to our fellows, that influence which is necessary to direct the footsteps of our brethren, will steadily decrease. It would be well for negro leaders to ponder over this, and adjust the situation, lest through the greed of the shepherds the sheep may be devoured.—Atlanta Phalanx.

The first fifty years of emancipation have their rightful encouragement. They show that the Negro has undoubted capacity and a proper pride in taking his place in our civilization. His achievements and his aspirations, his hopes and his fears, have a significance for us which we should not and cannot evade.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The Colored Albanian of Montgomery is optimistic on race conditions. It says to the people: "Keep on buying land and building good homes and supporting good schools. Our day is coming right here in America."

Sound proof telephone booths are being built in Germany of five layers of thin wood, with the grain crossed each time and the layers glued together.

There is an age of extremes. There are some crank optimists, for instance, who would have the world's face fixed in an eternal grin.

After a girl makes up her mind that she won't marry a certain man if he asks her she will never forgive him if he doesn't ask her.

Stockholm, which leads all the cities in the per capita use of telephones, has an instrument for every four inhabitants, including children and servants.

Under present plans of the department of agriculture about 30,000 acres of denuded timber lands in the United States will be reforested yearly.

When a woman swears she loves you, be not so sure. When she swears she hates you, rest assured of her affection.

SPORTS

WRESTLING

A real wrestling match may be detected at once by the way the wrestlers, sitting at the mat side, crane their necks to watch every move.

POLO

American polo received a severe blow when Charles Snowden of Philadelphia was fatally injured in an auto smashup, dying the following day.

BILLIARDS

Frank Jones of Philadelphia defeated Pierre Maupome of St. Louis in a National Three Cushion Billiard league game, 50 to 35.

Koji Yamada, the Japanese player, won, 400 to 343, the deciding game of a four-game series of 18.2 ball-line billiards with George Slosson at San Francisco.

BOWLING

The national bowling tournament will be held in Rochester this year, probably beginning on March 31.

For good live winter sport we know of nothing better than to start an argument on whether or not the dodo ball ought to be used in tennis bowling.

BASEBALL

Eddie Foster is worrying a bit because he can't take on any extra weight.

Manager Stallings of the Braves plans to use McKetchnie, the former Pirate infielder, at third base.

Clark Griffith, according to late accounts, had 38 players on his list, with possibly a few more 'Cubans' to hear from.

The Philadelphia National league club has sold Pitchers Horne and Ditter and Outfielder Mangus to the Atlantic City club of the Tri-State league.

Pitcher Red Donohue, with Detroit in 1905, is recovering from a serious illness at his home in Philadelphia, here he is a prosperous business man.

The tangle involved over getting Catcher George Yantz past the waivers has been straightened out and he goes from the Chicago Cubs to New Orleans.

Del Howard, besides playing first base and acting as captain of the San Francisco team, will act as scout for the Chicago Cubs during the Coast League campaign.

John McGraw has sold his interest in his billiard business in New York and will henceforth devote all his time to the Giants, not even giving vaudeville another thought.

The Harvard freshman baseball team will this season be instructed by a salaried coach. Henry E. Reeves, former varsity backstop, has been tendered the position.

Jimmy Callahan's reply to Frank Chance's offer to take Joe Berger of his hands is that he thinks pretty well of the shortstop himself and means to give him a real tryout this time.

Jim McAlleer is an advocate of a uniform understanding on the balk rule by American league umpires. He claims that Ed Walsh gets away with a balk movement every time he works a game.

Baldomero Acosta, Washington's newest Cuban, is a son of the mayor of Maracan, Cuba, and his father declared a legal holiday in the town when the young man's contract arrived and saw to it that everybody celebrated properly.

PUGILISM

Grover Hayes of Philadelphia and "Young Sailor" of Indianapolis fought a ten round draw at Cincinnati.

Jock Britton made a punching bag out of Eddy Hanlon in their scheduled ten-round bout at Savannah, Ga.

Bat Nelson knocked out Harry Dillon of New York in the last round of a scheduled ten round bout at Tamaqua, Pa.

Barney Williams of Philadelphia shaded Tom McMahon of Pittsburgh in a ten round heavyweight fight at Buffalo.

Jimmy Brady of Chicago and Lew Gloyner of Detroit, featherweights, boxed eight rounds at Flint, Mich., to a good draw.

Tommy Howell of Philadelphia and Spike Kelly of Chicago, welterweights, fought ten hard rounds to a draw at Kansas City.

A new rule prohibiting "mixed bouts," was adopted by the New York state athletic commission, which controls boxing in New York.

The New York state boxing commission has hit upon an actually sensible plan of settling the referee question. It will name the referees itself.

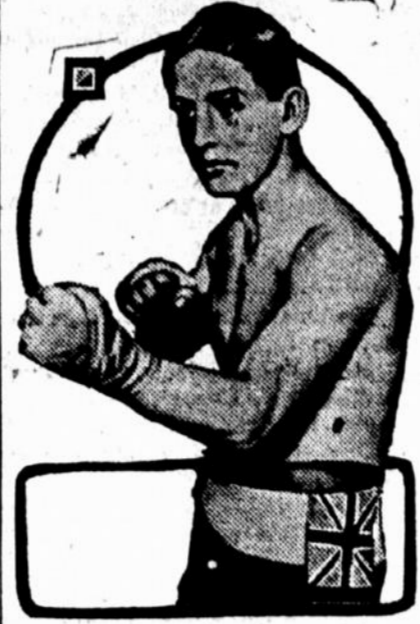
Art Magril of Bartlesville, Okla., won an eight round decision over Marty Rowan of Carlville, Ill., in the best fight seen in St. Louis this winter.

Young Ahearn, the dancing master, easily defeated Willie Schafer of Chicago in a ten round bout at the Gateway Athletic club at North Adams, Mass.

The Frenchman, Adrian Dupouy, fighting under the name of Hogan, beat Willie Lewis, the New York middleweight, on points in a twenty-round fight in Paris.

Coast critics said that Joe Mandot's future depended upon the outcome of his fight with Murphy. That being the case, one wonders how Joe stands now that he can't even get into the ring with Harlem Tommy.

GEORGE CARPENTIER.



This well known French pugilist has been compelled to withdraw from the middleweight class on account of the accumulation of much adipose. Carpentier has issued a challenge to meet all comers in the heavyweight class.

HORSE RACING

"Silver Bill" Riley, who was missed in the cities where pool selling is allowed, is searching for health in Mexico.

The new 2:10 list for 1912 has been sifted down to 53 trotters and 91 pacers, while 16 trotters with marks of 2:10 or better at the opening of the season and 33 pacers reduced their records.

AQUATIC

William A. Harriman, head coach of the Yale varsity eight; James Rodgers, former coach, and Captain Snowden have returned from their trip to England. They spent nearly a month studying the English system of rowing, and will introduce a few new wrinkles this season.

GOLF

Despite the sensational success that attended the 1911 invasion of our shores by the British amateur champion, it is believed that the professional American golfer is strong enough to send Vardon and Ray back home in September without a Yankee title to their credit.

FOOTBALL

P. H. Rodes, captain of last season's Navy football team, has resigned from the team.

Pennsylvania has been unable as yet to stage a single big game in Philadelphia next fall.

The Carlisle Indians have declined to meet the St. Louis university eleven on the 1912 gridiron.

Dartmouth and Carlisle, both dropped from the Harvard schedule, are now making efforts to get together on the 1912 gridiron.

Fendleton, Princeton's star football and baseball player, has refused to sign a contract binding him to the New York American league team.

Lieut. Douglas L. Howard, who has coached the Navy football eleven for two successive years, has been asked to again occupy the position as head strategist.

The university of Pittsburg football eleven will next fall play the Middle team at Annapolis. Georgetown university has been given a place by Navy after a lapse of several years.

The making up of Harvard's football schedule for 1913 shows clearly that the relations between the Crimson and Dartmouth have been broken off. The New Hampshire college is not on the list.

Harvard is not the only large eastern college that is desirous of doing away with its most formidable football foe. This is attested by the dropping of West Point from the schedule for next season.

With very nearly every big football schedule already out, the cards of Pennsylvania, Michigan and Cornell have not been announced. No one of the three is anywhere near the completion of its 1913 campaign plans.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Cornell track team will be kept busy this season. Seven indoor and five outdoor meets are on the schedule.

The University of Pennsylvania cricket team will tour Canada in June instead of taking a trip to England as was originally planned.

Although the annual University of Pennsylvania relay games will not be staged until late in April, entries are already on hand for distribution.

Mike Murphy, the famous Penn trainer, who was in charge of the Olympic team on its last trip to Stockholm, is rapidly regaining his health.

Company E of Fond du Lac defeated New York Nationals basketball team; 28 to 25. Fogarty of Fond du Lac and Brunner of New York were ejected from the floor for fighting.

The West Point five, one of those suspended by the A. A. U. for playing the Crescent quint, has been reinstated. Like Yale, the Cadets claimed ignorance of the Crescent intelligibility.

The Swedish Rifle union has decided to send a team to participate in the international rifle tournament to be held next September at Camp Perry, Ohio.

"Bob" Dunbar's rink of St. Paul won the Minneapolis trophy of the Northwestern bonspiel by defeating the Lambert Defel rink, also of St. Paul, by the score of 11 to 7.

It was Ted Meredith, running the classic distance in 50:35, who won the Suburban quarter in Gotham. There has seldom been a classier field of quarter-mileers gathered than contested that event.

PROPER CARE OF CUT GLASS

Elaborate Precautions Necessary to Preserve the Beautiful But Extremely Delicate Article.

Cut glass is very fashionable now, and is used upon the dinner table and in the drawing room with great success. But, alas! How easily it can be chipped and spoiled. What precautions can be taken with the precious pieces?

Cut glass must be handled very carefully when it is washed, so that no risk is run of chipping it. A wooden bowl will help.

Place in a wooden bowl some shavings of a mild white soap and pour over these boiling water.

When the water has become lukewarm wash the glass in the soda, using a soft nail brush. Then dip the glass in a second wooden bowl, this time filled with clear lukewarm water, until all traces of soap is removed.

Now dip the glass into a third bowl of lukewarm water to which bluing has been added (for the bluing will give a brilliancy to the glass) and then dry it with a very soft cloth. Polish it with soft tissue paper.

Bleiled and patterned china may well be washed in the same careful way, but the bluing should be omitted.

FIRST REMOVE THE OLD PAINT

Before Applying Color to White Enamelled Furniture a Dull Surface Must Be Reached.

To paint white enameled furniture a light color, as pale lavender, it will be necessary to remove as much as possible of the old paint, so as to get down to a dull surface. The new paint would not "take" on the highly polished surface of the enamel.

Wash the woodwork thoroughly with hot water and soap, then rub down with a cloth wrung out of hot water and dipped into powdered pumice stones. Wash off again with hot water, dry, and the woodwork is ready for repainting.

Two coats of enamel will probably be necessary. The first coat should be thoroughly dry before applying the second. It might, too, be necessary to use a very fine sandpaper on the first coat of enamel, applying lightly. This in case the surface is not quite smooth and even.

Banana Pie.

Mix one-third cupful of sugar, two and two-thirds tablespoonful of flour, and one-eighth teaspoonful of salt; then add yolks of two eggs, slightly beaten. Four or one cupful of hot scalded milk gradually, while stirring constantly, return to double boiler and cook 15 minutes, stirring constantly until mixture thickens, and afterward occasionally. Cool and add one-fourth cupful of this cream or rich milk, three-fourths tablespoonful of lemon juice and one large banana cut in one-eighth inch slices crosswise. Chill thoroughly and turn into a pastry case. Just before serving beat the whites of two eggs until stiff, and add gradually, while beating constantly, two tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and one-fourth teaspoonful of lemon extract. Spread evenly over pie and brown under gas flame.—Woman's Home Companion.

Delicious Apple Omelets. To make two large omelets take the yolks of eight fresh eggs and beat very light with four ounces of powdered sugar and grated yellow from half a lemon rind. Add a pound of the sifted flour, alternately with the whites of the eggs beaten to a stiff white froth. Mix well but lightly and then fold in a cup of whipped cream. Bake in two large flat omelets in a moderately hot oven for five minutes; then carefully spread with rich, thick apple sauce; roll each omelet up and place them both on a heated platter, side by side. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and slip in the broiling oven of your gas range for a few seconds, turning the flame down quite low. Serve at once.

Baked Peas.

Now that it is between times of old and new vegetables, try this recipe: Baked peas: One-half pound dried green peas, one onion, one carrot, one teaspoonful sugar, pinch of soda, one generous tablespoonful of butter, water. Soak peas over night, put in bean crock in the morning with the other ingredients and cover with water. Bake six hours or all day in slow oven, adding water when it evaporates. When ready to serve remove onion and carrot. This dish will be found very nutritious and appetizing.

Tea Punch.

Boil together for five minutes one quart of water, two pounds of sugar and the thin yellow rind of two lemons. Strain and add the juice of four lemons and one thinly sliced cucumber and let cool. When cool remove the cucumber and add two quarts of strong tea. Pour this over a block of ice in the punch bowl and add one pint or less of stoned or candied cherries.

About as Far as He Could Go.

On the first of the month there was to be a shift in studies in some of the public school grades, and a young son was consulting his father. He had finished with ancient history, which was ancient arbitrarily up to the time of the Christian era. "How far did you get in it?" asked the sire. "Down to zero," responded the heir.

Flowers in the House.

Flowers add so much to the cheerfulness of the home, even though we may not be extravagant in buying them. A few flowers tastefully arranged brighten the entire appearance of a room. Dinner tables look bare and neglected without the little vase of flowers or centerpiece of ferns.

Reconcilable.

The Duke de Roquelaure was told that two ladies of the court had quarrelled and had cast all kinds of invectives at each other. "Did they call each other homely?" asked the duke. "No, my lord!" "All right; then I will see that they become reconciled."—Life.

FATE'S LAST BUFFET

By ANNE DEANE.

Mrs. Jones was on her way to the broker's, in the lower part of the city. Her bag contained some bonds that had to be sold—the last bit of stock she possessed. It was lunch time; and the quietness of the narrow streets, for a belated passerby or so, proved conducive to introspection.

Her thoughts harked back to bygone days; to the time when her remaining parent had died and left her, with a few thousand dollars, in the first bright glow of womanhood. Soon after that she met Jones. Everybody thought he was such a nice young man.

So, as his calls grew more and more frequent, she came to rejoice in the belief that the other girls were secretly envying her. He bought violets for her and brought her candy; he was a very nice young man indeed. There were old maids in those days, and she had the common fear and horror of being left single—stranded on the shores of the ocean of matrimony. One evening he had tremulously asked her to marry him; and she had as tremulously answered him, yes.

But that was a good many years ago. Since then several little Joneses had come into the world to laugh and cry and get married. They must be clothed and fed; when old enough to go to school they asked often for pocketmoney, the girls especially. The little boys saved their.

On making closer acquaintance with Jones, she had discovered that the position he held was rather more respectable than remunerative. In fact, she didn't see how he could have hoped to support a wife and family on his salary. He must have been looking forward to an early promotion—or else he wasn't looking at all.

But with the help of her little income they managed to get along pretty well, at least until the panic of '03. Then many employes were turned out of a job; and Jones was one of the number. He comforted her with the assurance that he had never been duly appreciated, and it wouldn't be long before his friend, Mr. White, could get him a position worth while.

Meantime they lived on her money. She shivered at recollection of the checks she had written to be cashed by him in the city. It was less painful to "lend" that way; because he was able to keep tacitly to himself the money he needed for personal expenses.

Bit by bit had her small fortune dwindled until these few bonds alone remained. Opportunities for work had arisen in plenty, but always to be passed over as too insignificant. The places would lower his standing, he said, hurt his chances for bigger things. Next week or next month Mr. Blank or Mr. Ray has good as promised to procure him this or that position. And the loan, you know, might go through. Then he would pay her back all he had "borrowed," and they'd be on Easy street for the rest of their lives. He even had hinted at an automobile; for he fully expected to get several thousand a year.

But since time flew by and these expectations were left behind unfulfilled, it appeared that he had set greater store by himself than did others. She thought of how he would look when she returned home. There he'd be sitting, with the eternal paper in his hand, smoking one cigar after another. If only he would learn to like a pipe. Soon after she came to he'd begin to berate the government for "its being possible that such a state of affairs can exist when—"

She was tired of his fatuity. These bonds were the last she had. When the money for them was gone, what should she do? Go to the poorhouse? He wouldn't let her work as long as she stayed with him, because she was his wife; and yet he didn't do anything himself. She would leave him. Then she thought of the children—after all, they belonged to him, too. But, pshaw! He seemed to regard them as a matter of course, not as a charge ("hostages of fortune," flashed through her mind).

Was it for this she had promised to "love, honor and obey" him? How absurd those words sounded in such a connection! Was she to love a man she rather despised; to honor one whom she could not admire; to obey her husband when she did not love him? She had been forced by society to promise what she either could not have helped doing, or could not possibly have done.

Suddenly the breath was driven out of her by a blow between the shoulders, and her bag jerked from her hand by a man, whom she then saw disappearing down a side street.

"Oh, stop!" she gasped. "They won't do you any good—"

But he had vanished round a corner.—Buffalo Express.

Fortunes in Songs.

In the mind of many a person runs a melody, which if brought out might prove to be an El Dorado. The musical genius is proverbially poor, but he who can produce tuneful airs that meet public fancy rides easily on to fortune. There is now a professional song writer on the staff of a New York publishing house with an income of \$50,000 a year from royalties on his songs, who several years ago was a waiter in a Bowery dance hall. Each year sees a vengeful dance songs hit, and the thousands of couples ground out by the great presses of the publishing house bring wealth to the fortunate composer.

Apt Pupil.

Mr. Fullemm—I made a bad mistake mit buying dese goods. I bays too much.

Little Son—Th' teacher say we must profit by our meestakes.

Mr. Fullemm—Is dot so? Veil, I get dem insured.

Highly Flattered.

Wife—I high my palm read today, and the fortune teller said my second husband would be a very brilliant man. Husband—Why, I didn't even know you'd been married before!

HASTE IS UNKNOWN

Forms of Courtship as Practiced in Old Spain

Not an Uncommon Thing for a Man and Maid to Remain Engaged for Ten Years—Kissing Not Permitted Between Them.

Spain might be termed the land of deliberation, for nothing—especially in the case of courtship and marriage—is done in haste. Indeed, in the country towns of Andalusia, a sudden marriage creates great surprise, for, as a Spanish writer says, "there is nothing in which procrastination is carried so far in Andalusia as in the matter of engagements."

The Andalusian peasant considers well the step he is about to take, and this consideration is a very pleasant way of killing time, and time is of but little value in the south of Spain. It is quite a common thing for a man to be engaged ten years. There is also a monetary consideration to be taken into account, the marriage fee in Spain being a high one—namely, \$7 or \$8.

Before coming into the house of his fiancée a man has to ask permission of the father to be his daughter's lover. If he gives it, a party is given to celebrate the engagement, at which they drink aguardiente, etc., and eat cakes. Girls are never allowed to walk out with their lovers. No kissing is permitted between them. When a girl is asked why, she says: "We do not belong to our lovers; if we quarrel he could not say that my lips had ever been his."

This comes partly from pride and partly from a wish not to be depreciated in the matrimonial market, as lovers in Spain often prove fickle. A girl known to the writer had been engaged five years when her lover jilted her. Six months later she became engaged again. You see, she had only chatted with her former lover, so her matrimonial chances were quite as good as before she was engaged at all.

Courtship is so public in Spain that there cannot be any difficulty in getting evidence for a breach of promise. A peasant who is sued for breach of promise and who has resided in the same province as his fiancée has to pay so much for every year that he has been engaged to her. Nearly all the peasants are illiterate and have to get friends to write their love letters for them.

Although they do not kiss each other, they put 'x's and o's in their letters, the latter signifying embraces. When a girl first writes to her love she only addresses him as "My appreciated John"; she does not think it at all correct to put "My dear John," unless they have been engaged a very long time.

In these days engaged couples belonging to the upper classes see a good deal of each other. They meet at mass in the morning, chat together during the hour of siesta, see each other in the afternoon during the promenade, go to the same party in the evening, and after supper see each other and chat together at the window, and there are nights when they remain once more chatting together, their faces pressed to the bars, until the rosy fingered dawn appears in the east.

It is related that a lover getting married after an engagement of eight years soon afterward fell into low spirits from not knowing what to do with his time.

A peasant girl's fiancé always buys her the furniture, but the girl's family often takes care of it, which is some guaranty that the marriage will take place. The girls often spend more than two years making their house, linen and trousseau.

Spanish men of the lower class do not make good husbands; perhaps this is why girls appear to care more for their mothers than their husbands. The devotion of daughters to their mothers is very great. Indeed, to be a Spanish mother is to be much adored. I know a girl who was greatly exasperated with her lover because when he wrote to her he was always quoting his mother. The girl satirically said, "It was always 'Mi madre, mi madre!'"

The houses of the Spanish poor are nearly always built round large patios in which there is a well that has to serve for as many as twenty families. Some of these patios are very pleasant, being decorated with plants and shaded in summer by large vines. The houses are very small, consisting of one little room and a tiny kitchen. So, as there is not much housework to be done

ALBIA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Allen have a fine baby boy at their home, both are doing nicely. Miss Fay Bennings of Denver is at her uncles, Mr. Wm. Bennings, for a short visit. The debate on the Foreign Emigration by the R. B. M. literary society was won by Mr. Edward Butler and Pearl Thomas. Sewing Circle met with Mrs. Wm. Bennings on Monday afternoon. Mrs. Young is with Mr. Young the auctioneer while his stay in Albia. Those on the sick list are much improved. It has been very cold these March days. The Sewing Circle has put out some fine caps and aprons as well as giving some splendid entertainments for the benefit of the church.

DAVENPORT NOTES

Mrs. Francis Baker is ill at her home. The City Federation will hold its regular meeting March 12th, at the home of the president, Mrs. Francis Baker. All members are requested to be present. The following are the officers of the City Federation: Mrs. F. Baker, president; Mrs. Clara Shepard, 1st vice president; Mrs. Emma Beard, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Jennie Johnson, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Josephine O'Neil, Treasurer. The Home and Foreign Missionary Circle of the Third Baptist church will hold its next meeting at the residence of Mrs. M. Chesterfield. Full account of the lecture given by Mrs. J. B. Rush of Des Moines on the 28th inst, at Bethel A. M. E. church will appear in next week's notes. We would say however that the lecture was the finest that a Davenport audience has ever had the pleasure of listening to. The Federation of Women's clubs of Iowa has one of the most brilliant women of our race as their president in the person of Mrs. J. B. Rush. Look out for the big chattering supper and program at Bethel A. M. E. church Tuesday evening March 11th. The Boys Athletic and Improvement club held their regular monthly meeting Monday evening at Bethel A. M. E. church. Rev. Stevall gave the boys a very interesting talk, subject, "The Boys' Opportunities." We think the boys from this talk will be inspired to do more and better work. Mrs. J. B. Rush was a guest of Mrs. C. B. Lewis while in the city. Rev. M. Toomey who has been away from the city for the past three weeks was in his pulpit Sunday. The sick are reported convalescent.

FORT MADISON NOTES

The entertainment announced for Saturday evening to be given by the Willing Workers club was postponed indefinitely owing to the inclement weather. Rev. and Mrs. Bowles have returned to our city to take up the work after holding a very successful meeting at the Union Baptist church at Keokuk. Mrs. Effie Campbell made a trip to Canton, Mo. Friday to visit her parents. Mrs. Ambrose Jackson is improving and we hope to see her able to be out soon. Mrs. Fannie Goodwin is confined to her home with rheumatism. Her many friends hope to see her out soon. The children of the A. M. E. Sunday School are getting ready for Easter. Mrs. Lucy King is instructing them. Mr. Charles Thomas has been confined at home a few days but is much better. Mr. James Campbell who is in our city on business will soon return to his home at Canton, Mo. Our city is putting on a business look. New buildings are soon to be erected and work has begun on the new post office. Mrs. Clark the evangelist will close the meetings this week which she has been conducting at the A. M. E. church for about two weeks. She is a woman of rare talent and a fine speaker. Last Thursday evening occurred the marriage of Miss Letta McRay and Mr. Charles Henry at the home of her sister, Mrs. Archie Redd on Sixth St. The young people are well known in the community. Mrs. James Sanders has returned home after spending some time in Shelbina, Mo., being called there on account of the death of her sister, Mrs. Harris, who died in Rock Island, Ill., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Brown. Mr. Woods who was taken to the hospital recently is improving nicely. His many friends are glad to know that he is recovering. Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists.

GALESBURG, ILL.

Miss Ella McGow of Davenport is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Harber. Mr. Peter Lawsey continues seriously ill at his home. Mrs. Holley is confined to her home with pneumonia. The progressive tea under the auspices of the Improvement club was a decided success, both socially and financially. Forty-five ladies attended. The first course was served at the home of Mrs. Geo. Kidd, from there the ladies went to Mrs. Nora Leonard, the final

course being served at Mrs. Fred Solomon's home. A short musical closed the program of the afternoon. Mr. Carey Lewis of Chicago lectured Sunday afternoon at Allen Chapel, his subject being "Literary Lights of the Negro Race." The church was completely filled and Mr. Lewis held the attention of the audience closely during his address. Mrs. Elmira Shelton of Davenport favored the audience with a solo. Mr. Lewis came at the invitation of the D. D. W. C. C. Mrs. Clay Bolder entertained at six o'clock dinner Saturday for Miss Eva Carter, Mrs. Shelton of Davenport and Mr. Carey Lewis of Chicago. Covers were laid for six. Mrs. David Garnett entertained Monday evening in honor of Mrs. Shelton. Mr. Carey Lewis was an out of town guest. Dainty refreshments were served in two courses. Miss Lois Skinner of Monmouth spent Sunday here with relatives. Mrs. L. C. Carter Jr. was hostess to the D. D. W. C. C. Monday afternoon in honor of Mr. Carey Lewis. Light refreshments were served Mrs. Shelton was an out of town guest.

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MOBERLY, MO.

Rev. G. B. Abbott and Rev. J. D. Woodford of Mason City, Ia., have just closed a revival meeting here. There were seven conversions. Rev. Woodford will leave for his home in Mason City Monday night. The Embroidery club met last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Lucy Paly and a two course luncheon was served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mayme Quinn on Forest avenue. The members of the M. E. church are preparing to have a musical contest Friday night, March 7th. Mrs. A. C. Black is chairman. Mr. A. C. Black has made special arrangements with the Wabash for excursion trains the 4th of August. He will make special arrangements with the "Katy" and these excursions will be run from St. Louis, Kansas City Columbia and Des Moines.

STATE OF IOWA. Office of AUDITOR OF STATE. ANNUAL CERTIFICATE FOR PUBLICATION.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 1, 1913. Whereas, The Agricultural Insurance Company, located at Watertown, in the State of New York, has filed in this office a sworn statement of its condition on the thirty-first day of December, 1912, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Iowa, relating to Insurance Companies; and whereas said statement shows that said Insurance Company has complied with the laws of this State relating to insurance. Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, John L. Bleakley, auditor of state, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire insurance in the state, by agents properly appointed, as required by law, until the first day of March, A. D., 1914. I further certify that the statement shows: 1st. The actual amount of paid-up capital of said Company, December 31, 1912, to be \$ 500,000.00 2d. The aggregate amount of the Assets of said Company, December 31, 1912, to be 4,189,617.18 3d. The aggregate amount of Liabilities of said Company, including the amount required to safely reinsure all outstanding risks, December 31, 1912, to be 2,709,611.93 4th. The aggregate income of said Company for the year 1912, to be 1,882,876.17 5th. The aggregate expenditures of said Company for the year 1912, to be 1,689,588.62 In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of my office the day and date above written. John L. Bleakley, Auditor of State.

SPORT NEWS

Mr. J. H. Spencer of Grinnell spoke at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning and also addressed the Sunday School in the afternoon. Mr. Spencer was the principal speaker at the George Washington entertainment at Bethel A. M. E. church Monday evening. Subject, "Some of the Problems of today and how Organization will help to Adjust Them." Mr. Spencer is an optimist and is quite convincing in his argument. A game of basket ball by the Athletic club and slight of hand performance by Mr. G. Hart were some of the other features of the program. The federated clubs of the city are working hard preparing plans for the entertaining of the State Federation to be held the last week in May in Davenport. Mrs. Frances Baker, president of the City Federation held a successful call meeting at her residence, 1720 Iowa street, last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. W. J. O'Neal won the first prize in the contest at the Richard B. Harrison recital. Mrs. Georgia Perkins won second prize. The first prize was a silver tea set of four pieces;

second prize silver sugar bowl. Mr. T. L. Davis made a flying trip to Chicago last Saturday. Mrs. George W. Harrison remains quite sick at her home with an attack of asthma. Mrs. Clara Martin is still confined to her bed. The sacred concert at the Third Baptist church by the choir Sunday evening was quite inspiring. Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Johnson entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. J. H. Spencer and Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Stovall. Mr. Chas. Sheppard is recovering from his injuries received in an accident which was mentioned in last week's notes.

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ENTERPRISE NEWS. (Special to Bystander.)

One of the grandest affairs Enterprise ever witnessed was a surprise birthday dinner given Mrs. A. W. Rhodes Wednesday Feb. 26th. by her children in honor of her 60th birthday. The table was beautifully decorated with white and pink carnations and at 2:30 a six course dinner was served preceded by prayer and blessings from Rev. Bollings. Then the ten children passed the table and each dropped a silver dollar in a glass which was placed in the middle of an elaborate birthday cake lighted with 60 candles. About fifty guests were present and many valuable presents were presented to Mrs. Rhodes. They all reported a grand time when they made their departure and wished Mrs. Rhodes another happy birthday and a family reunion.

CLARINDA ITEMS. (Last Week.)

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder S. B. Moore was present and conducted services throughout the day to a large audience. Quarterly conference was held Monday night and all reports were in good condition.

Madames Wm. Stevens and Fannie Parker served a three course dinner at their home Saturday evening at six o'clock. All reported the hostess royal entertainers. Presiding Elder S. B. Moore and Rev. Morgan were royally entertained to breakfast Sunday morning at the home of Miss Phoebe Rogers, and taken dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Headley. Mrs. Della Dunn has been very ill with appendicitis. Mr. Robert Jones is still very dangerously ill. Mrs. Sarah Williams of Creston is visiting at the Tom Dunn home. Mrs. P. S. Irwin of Des Moines was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gibson. Miss Susie Lee of Des Moines was called to this city by the serious illness of her grandfather, Mr. Robert Jones, Mrs. Fannie Parker will leave Thursday for Albia where she will remain indefinitely. Mr. Esse Bowen received the sad news last week stating the death of his mother, Mrs. Myra Bowen, who died in British Columbia. Mrs. Malaya Battle has been on the sick list a few days.

THE TRUTH ESTABLISHED.

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MASONIC GRAND LODGE NOTES.

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