

IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

VOL. XIX NO. 50

DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1913.

Price Five Cents.

CITY NEWS.

The Maple Street Baptist church held regular services Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Turner who has been seriously ill is able to be out again.

The Missionary Circle met Friday at the home of Mrs. S. Bates.

Mrs. Joseph Stone, who has been indisposed for several days, has greatly improved.

Rev. J. W. Morton left Sunday for Danville, Va., where he was called on account of the illness of his father.

Mr. Frank P. Johnson, who has been quite ill at his home on Thirtieth street, is reported much better at this writing.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Bates entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Johnson, and Mrs. H. Rodgers of Lake Park.

Mr. W. H. Mason who recently returned from the West, is now employed at the McCurnin Drug Co., in the luncheonette department.

The Benjamin club met last Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Murray, 1447 Fremont street and gave a home social which netted a neat sum.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cavis of 1722 W. 8th street are happy over the arrival of a 7½ lb. baby girl at their home May 17, 1913. Mother and child doing well.

The Dramatic Art club met Tuesday with Mrs. C. C. Johnson. Next meeting June 8th with Mrs. Laws, study Cantos XII and XIII of Purgatory.

The Get Busy club met Tuesday night at the Maple Street Baptist church and realized a neat sum from an entertainment. Pres. S. Rodgers; Sec. Mrs. B. Campbell.

There will be a special meeting of the Mother's Congress Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. R. N. Hyde. All members are urged to be present as there is important business to be transacted.

Rev. F. C. Bolling of Enterprise will occupy the pulpit of Corinthian Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. T. L. Griffith will be in Topeka, Kan. to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon at the Industrial and Educational Institute.

Monday night the Carnation club met with Mr. and Mrs. R. White, 751 11th street, and was entertained by A. J. Warricks. After the transaction of business refreshments were served.

Pres. Mrs. S. Bates; Sec. Mrs. S. Trent.

Mr. C. W. Strawther, one of our industrious young men who is messenger at the Citizens National Bank, recently purchased property at 947 14th Street Place and moved into it this week. We are always glad to hear of our young men making a move like this.

NOTICE

All Des Moines delegates to the I. S. F. J. W. C. will leave via of C. R. I. R. Monday at 7:30 a. m. and arrive in Davenport at 1 p. m. in time for the Board meeting at 3 p. m.

Mrs. J. B. Rush

Mrs. Lucy Shull and Mr. Grover Shull wish to thank their many friends for kindness shown them during the sickness and death of their husband and brother; also for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Monday evening twenty boys and girls had a pleasant surprise party on Mrs. Thomas Harris at the residence of Mrs. Shackelford. The occasion being Mrs. Harris' birthday she received some beautiful presents. The evening was spent in music and games. A lovely repast was served and just before departing the group had flashlight pictures taken. All report a lovely time.

WANTED—At once a barber at Cedar Rapids, Ia., Address J. E. Nelson, 202 N. 1st street.

STUDENTS WANTED—I want about 4 students to act as waiters during their vacation, at Hyperion Field club house. Good opportunity for young men who have to work their way thru school. Some experience desired. H. C. Brown, Care Bystander office.

Neatly furnished rooms, \$2 per week and up. Nice locality. N. Wiley 1008 Center at phone red 1367.

PROPERTY FOR SALE
I have 12 houses and lots, also some vacant lots and acreage for sale reasonable, on easy terms. Call at the Bystander office or see John L. Thompson.

Mrs. John L. Thompson was called to Kansas City, Mo., suddenly last Tuesday on account of the death of her niece, Cresta Watson.

Miss Cecil Harris, who has been living in Chicago, was brought home last week and taken to the Methodist hospital, where she underwent an operation. The last reports are that she is getting along as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Price Alexander, who has been critically ill for several days, was removed to the Methodist hospital to undergo an operation. Her many friends are greatly alarmed over her condition and hope she will soon be on the road to recovery.

Mrs. J. W. Fields entertained Monday evening in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Lee, of Minneapolis, Minn., who spent a few days in Des Moines the first of the week. Mrs. Lee was accompanied by her husband.

One of the most interesting and novel entertainments ever presented by the children at Union Congregational church was given last Thursday evening in the auditorium of the church. The play, which was entitled "The Merry Month of May," was composed by Mrs. H. E. Jacobs, who deserved great credit and who was assisted in directing the children by Misses Daisy Jacobs and Lillian Neal. The stage was decorated with trees, grass and flowers, with a beautiful May basket hung in the center, which was presented by Mr. Charles Stewart. The crowded house was fully appreciated, the proceeds of which went for the benefit of the Sunday school.

Federation Club Women Delegates Take Notice

We are in good shape to serve you good meals or lunches at all hours. E. Green, 114 E. 5th street. The same restaurant which served the Grand Masonic lodge last summer. You are invited here. E. Green Proprietor.

OUR CITY CHURCH SERVICES.

Corinthian Baptist church, corner of Fifteenth and Linden streets. Rev. T. L. Griffith, pastor.
Morning services at 10:30.
Sunday school at 12 o'clock.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.
Evening services at 7:30 p. m.

Union Congregational church, corner of Tenth and Park streets. Rev. T. M. Brumfield, pastor.
Morning services at 10:45.
Subject, "The True Life and Its Secret."
Sunday school at 12 o'clock noon.
Evening service at 8 o'clock.
Subject, "Christian Gratitude."

Asbury Methodist Episcopal church, 777 West Eleventh street. Rev. W. L. Lee, pastor.
Morning services at 11 o'clock a. m.
Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m.
Epworth League at 7 o'clock p. m.
Preaching services at 8 o'clock p. m.

St. Paul's A. M. E. church, corner of Second and Center streets. Rev. B. U. Taylor, pastor.
Morning services at 11 o'clock.
Class meeting immediately after services.
Sunday school at 3 o'clock p. m.
Allen C. E. at 6:30 o'clock p. m.
Evening services at 8 o'clock p. m.

Maple Street Baptist church, between Eighth and Ninth street on Maple street. Rev. S. Bates, pastor.
Morning services at 11 o'clock a. m.
Sunday school at 1 o'clock p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6 o'clock p. m.
Prayer meeting at 7 o'clock p. m.
Preaching at 8 o'clock p. m.

Reliable Jewelry Buy Your Wedding or Graduation Present for your friends from a good reliable firm that will guarantee all their goods We do all kind of repair work. Our prices are reasonable—come and look over our large stock of the latest designs

Iowa City was our next stop. Here dwell but a few families. Mrs. Ella Moore and her daughter, Daisy Fannie, are in the hair dressing and manufacturing business. They have got a nice business. Mrs. Moore at one time lived in Des Moines. Rev. B. F. Hubbard, our good friend, is the pastor of the only colored church here, the A. M. E. He is doing nicely. Mr. J. Wesley Thompson is still working here, fully determined to succeed financially. He is a fine young man. There are about sixteen colored students here attending the university. Mr. J. W. Morton, formerly of Des Moines, is here doing nicely.

Our next stop was in Muscatine. Here live about 500 colored people. Mr. I. P. Johnson and Arthur Manley own very valuable acreage garden farms near the city limits. Wm. Thompson is doing well. His wife, Mrs. Alice, is improving from a spell of sickness. Miss Fannie Gooms is still matronway boys and father are three Greenway first class barber shop, which have recently bought a seven-passenger automobile. John McElroy is head chef at the Kimball hotel. D. A. Dishman is still running his barber shop, as also is Frank A. Walker. Mrs. A. L. Jamieson runs a boarding house. Mr. Robt. Johnson and W. L. Seay are two of South Muscatine's good citizens. Miss Maude Owsley is

Cure for Stomach Disorders. Disorders of the stomach may be avoided by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. Many very remarkable cures have been effected by these tablets. Sold by all dealers.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS 1913.

(By John L. Thompson.)

Again on bicycle with pen in hand we have started out upon our regular annual collecting trip incidentally to observe the changes and improvements that have been made among our race in each community, town or city that we might visit. I sometimes think that these lessons become a bore or monotonous to our readers, yet after all and after a lapse of a year we are glad to hear of the progress that the race is making in their community, which to some degree is encouraging to the race and gives hope and inspiration to us everywhere. I shall be very brief this year on each person or thing observed, because there are so many towns and so many individuals that are deserving of space that we must necessarily condense the articles even though we would like to do otherwise.

Oskaloosa, Iowa, the "Quaker City" was our first stop. This town bears an Indian name and was one of the oldest settlements in Iowa by a band of Quakers from Pennsylvania. In fact Oskaloosa is today unique in Iowa, as it has the only Quaker college in the state and the only Holiness college in Iowa. In fact it has three colleges with a population of about 10,000, of which about 500 are colored people, who have two churches, the A. M. E., presided over by our friend, Rev. John H. Bell, who is making a success, and the M. E. church, pastored by Rev. A. A. Tolson, a new minister recently assigned here from central Missouri, who has entered upon his work. Mr. A. Hardy is one of the oldest and substantial men of our race. He is doing well. A. G. Clark is still operating his tonorial parlors. Frank Moore is assisting him. Mr. Clark is our grand custodian of the Masonic lodge. E. E. Jones is working at the same place. Mr. Henry Coleman is still at Boldworth's dry goods store. He has worked there for more than twenty years. H. J. Hackady is still running his barber shop. Mr. Lloyd is running the barber shop in Mr. George Jones' old shop, doing nicely. Rev. M. G. Newman is a very busy man at his trade, that of a carpenter. Robt. Franklin is still here. Mr. Frank Allen is perhaps the most successful of any of the men here. He is a plastering contractor and has several men working for him. He owns a beautiful home and is a hustler, highly respected. Robt. Johnson is employed by the Standard Oil company as a driver of the oil wagon. Robert is a fine man, a real race man. The new subscribers from here are Hannah Williams, L. T. Tolson, H. J. Anderson, A. L. Cooper, Frank Allen, Julia Taylor, Rev. A. A. Tolson, Robt. Johnson and Wm. Crump.

Washington, Iowa, being our next stop. Here we are told that the people are about as usual. I think perhaps a larger per cent of our race here own their own homes than any other town in Iowa. Our agent, Mr. N. L. Black, had done his duty as a real agent. He had collected most of the subscription dues. Rev. W. D. Brown, pastor of the A. M. E. church, the only colored church here, is doing well. He is improving the church both on the interior and exterior preparatory to entertaining the district Sunday school convention on the 25th of June. The ladies of this city have a nice club, recently organized, and the men of the city have also organized a club for social and commercial advantages. Both organizations are doing well. Mr. Joe Daniels still holds the city contract to do the street sprinkling. He is the most successful business man here Mr. Horace Spencer is a cement contractor in this city. He is a hustler, a brother to our John Spencer, the contractor, of Grinnell. Mr. Geo. Black is the oldest colored barber in Iowa. He has been barbering in Iowa since 1852 and Ye Editor is indebted to Mr. Black for some manuscripts and early history of the first colored colonies in Iowa, which we are compiling to some day print a history of Iowa colored men. Mr. Mott, the barber, is one of the best fixed financially here. Mr. Rhodes is still working at the depot.

On last Tuesday evening Miss Ethel Bland and York Anderson were confirmed at St. Mary's church. Confirmation exercises were conducted by the Rt. Rev. Harry Sherman Longley. D. D. (white), bishop suffragan of the Iowa diocese, who paid his first visit to the church of St. Mary the Virgin. After the exercises at the church an informal reception was tendered the new bishop suffragan at the parish hall, at which time he was greeted by a large number of the parishioners and friends.

KEOKUK NEWS.

On last Tuesday evening Miss Ethel Bland and York Anderson were confirmed at St. Mary's church. Confirmation exercises were conducted by the Rt. Rev. Harry Sherman Longley. D. D. (white), bishop suffragan of the Iowa diocese, who paid his first visit to the church of St. Mary the Virgin. After the exercises at the church an informal reception was tendered the new bishop suffragan at the parish hall, at which time he was greeted by a large number of the parishioners and friends.

Friends of Mr. Albert Ganiel, who worked on a government boat here, are pained to learn of his demise, which occurred recently in Peoria, Ill. His remains were taken to Canton, Mo., his former home, for interment. Mr. W. H. Dixon, Mr. Geo. Kellies, Mr. David Easley and Mrs. L. Krepser attended the funeral obsequies.

Mrs. Ritchie Johnson returned from Shelby, Mo., last week, where she attended the funeral of her brother, Mr. Austin Lewis. Relative of deceased are extended the heartfelt sympathy of sorrowing friends.

We are glad to know that Mr. W. T. Rush, who left our city a few months ago with a view to locating elsewhere, has decided to return home, he having accepted a responsible position with the Weinburg Laundry Co.

Mrs. Lulu Lamb of New Boston and Mr. Geo. Fowler of Summitville attended the Odd Fellows service at Union Baptist church the 11th inst. They were entertained at dinner at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bowles, 1808 High street.

Rev. Samuel Johnson of the First African Baptist church conducted the baptizing on the 11th inst. at Mt. Olive Baptist church, New Boston. The services were well attended and were a source of much inspiration to the loyal members of this congregation.

Mrs. Susan Chambers of Lagrange, Mo., visited recently with her daughter, Mrs. Ollie Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young of Peoria, Ill., are at present in our city. Mr. Young is the hustling auctioneer that is so well known throughout the state.

Mrs. Mary Bland and Mrs. M. E. Dixon left last Monday morning for Buxton, Iowa, to attend the sixth annual communication of the Grand Chapter O. E. S.

A carnival that was held in our city last week attracted quite a number of visitors from Fort Madison. Mr. Raymond Black was the chauffeur for a crowd of sightseers that came down last Friday evening.

Mrs. Ina Lawson of near Hannibal, Mo., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Buckner.

Mr. Richard Cutwright has bought the restaurant of Mr. Jno. Hampton near Tenth and Maine streets.

The converts' banquet at Pilgrim's Rest church will be on the 22nd inst. Mr. Lawrence Bryant is now greatly improved from the effects of an operation recently performed.

still here working at her trade, doing well. The tri-cities will be our next stop.

(Special to the Iowa State Bystander)
The official program for the Colored Women's Federated Clubs of Iowa, which is to meet in Davenport, May 26th to 28th, 1913, seems to be quite a bit mixed up and misleading in the main. The erroneousness of the official program is causing some dissatisfaction.

The official program is persistent in stating that the federation is to be held at the Third Baptist church, which statement is not true. Bethel A. M. E. church, southeast corner of Ripley and Eleventh streets, is the place of meeting. Bethel A. M. E. church asked for the meeting long before the Federation voted Davenport its meeting place for 1913. I told the ladies who went up to Sioux City to tell the Federation if they chose Davenport for their next meeting place that we extended them a cordial welcome to hold the Federation in Bethel A. M. E. church. Now I understand that this invitation was accepted by the Federation. The federated clubs of Davenport all understood that Bethel A. M. E. church is the meeting place for the Federation, which convenes in our city May 26th to 28th.

We also have a number of men by the name of Stovall, and some of them are reverend. I notice that a Rev. Stovall is to make a welcome address on behalf of the churches. I would like to know the gentleman's full name and where he is from, etc. I think this is due anyone who is placed upon a program of this kind. Kindly help me out in this matter and oblige. Yours for the Federation, T. B. Stovall, Pastor, Bethel A. M. E. Church, Davenport.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

J. L. Thompson, editor of The Bystander, visited in our city May 14th and at night addressed a large audience at the church. His talk was instructive and interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Armistead, bride and groom, arrived last Sunday from Fairfield and will make their home in this city for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Julia Currie has returned from Chicago and was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Major Brown, who will make an extended visit at the H. Spencer home. She is here to recuperate and the change is proving effective.

The Intellectual Improvement club had charge of the evening services at the A. M. E. church last Sunday evening and an interesting program was rendered. The speakers of the evening were G. W. Black and John Taylor of Jacksonville, Ill. A good audience was present.

Regular meeting of the Intellectual Improvement club at the A. M. E. church next Tuesday evening. A good attendance is desired, as a good program is to be rendered.

Miss Ruth Black is visiting at the homes of her aunts, Mrs. Will Jeffers and Mrs. Henry Hockey in Oskaloosa.

Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Brown spent several days this week at Keokuk and Fort Madison.

Mr. Mason visited at Davenport recently.

Lewis H. Wallace was indisposed a portion of this week with a lame back. He is better now.

Mrs. A. L. Hall, who was sick, is convalescing.

Mrs. Daniel Haynes, who had her right eye operated on for cataract, now has to have her left eye operated on for the same thing. She expects to go to the Iowa City hospital soon.

Mrs. Emma Black and Mrs. Eliza Reed expect to represent the Christian Culture club at the Federation meeting at Davenport next week.

The young ladies of the A. M. E. church gave a social in the lecture room Thursday evening, which was a success in all ways.

Mrs. John Taylor will join her husband here next week and will spend the summer here.

Mrs. Helen Anderson and Thos. Bradford of Ottumwa, who were guests at the H. Spencer home, left for their home last Tuesday week.

The Christian Culture club met Thursday at the home of Miss Nettie Campbell. The meeting, previous when the delegates were elected for the Federation meet, was held by Miss Geneva Murray at the home of Mrs. Frank Walker.

On last Tuesday evening Miss Ethel Bland and York Anderson were confirmed at St. Mary's church. Confirmation exercises were conducted by the Rt. Rev. Harry Sherman Longley. D. D. (white), bishop suffragan of the Iowa diocese, who paid his first visit to the church of St. Mary the Virgin. After the exercises at the church an informal reception was tendered the new bishop suffragan at the parish hall, at which time he was greeted by a large number of the parishioners and friends.

Friends of Mr. Albert Ganiel, who worked on a government boat here, are pained to learn of his demise, which occurred recently in Peoria, Ill. His remains were taken to Canton, Mo., his former home, for interment. Mr. W. H. Dixon, Mr. Geo. Kellies, Mr. David Easley and Mrs. L. Krepser attended the funeral obsequies.

Mrs. Ritchie Johnson returned from Shelby, Mo., last week, where she attended the funeral of her brother, Mr. Austin Lewis. Relative of deceased are extended the heartfelt sympathy of sorrowing friends.

We are glad to know that Mr. W. T. Rush, who left our city a few months ago with a view to locating elsewhere, has decided to return home, he having accepted a responsible position with the Weinburg Laundry Co.

Mrs. Lulu Lamb of New Boston and Mr. Geo. Fowler of Summitville attended the Odd Fellows service at Union Baptist church the 11th inst. They were entertained at dinner at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bowles, 1808 High street.

Rev. Samuel Johnson of the First African Baptist church conducted the baptizing on the 11th inst. at Mt. Olive Baptist church, New Boston. The services were well attended and were a source of much inspiration to the loyal members of this congregation.

Mrs. Susan Chambers of Lagrange, Mo., visited recently with her daughter, Mrs. Ollie Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young of Peoria, Ill., are at present in our city. Mr. Young is the hustling auctioneer that is so well known throughout the state.

Mrs. Mary Bland and Mrs. M. E. Dixon left last Monday morning for Buxton, Iowa, to attend the sixth annual communication of the Grand Chapter O. E. S.

A carnival that was held in our city last week attracted quite a number of visitors from Fort Madison. Mr. Raymond Black was the chauffeur for a crowd of sightseers that came down last Friday evening.

Mrs. Ina Lawson of near Hannibal, Mo., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Buckner.

Mr. Richard Cutwright has bought the restaurant of Mr. Jno. Hampton near Tenth and Maine streets.

The converts' banquet at Pilgrim's Rest church will be on the 22nd inst. Mr. Lawrence Bryant is now greatly improved from the effects of an operation recently performed.

The annual thanksgiving sermon of the Illinois jurisdiction of S. M. T.'s will be held at Bethel church Sunday afternoon May 25th. Services conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Sims. The sad news announcing the tragic death of Mr. Ed Vinson, who is quite well known here, was received by friends in our city last Saturday morning. Mr. Vinson met his untimely end by being shot three times by Harry Medford (white) at Frankfort, Mo. Our daily papers state that the authorities refuse to arrest the assailant, whom they claim acted in self-defense. Mr. W. H. Taylor of our city was despatched for after the tragedy and was present with Mr. Vinson when the end came. Deceased was a former resident of Louisiana, Mo. He has one son living in Quincy, Ill., and is reputed to be worth several thousand dollars.

Mrs. Maud Amos Scott has returned home from a very pleasant four weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Chicago and Evanston, Ill. Mr. Jno. Tucker of Farmington, Iowa, passed through our city last Thursday en route to Missouri, where his sister, Miss Ola Tucker, closed a very successful term of school.

Police Officer Thos. Freeman is enjoying a week's recreation. Officer Freeman is one of the oldest men in point of service on the force and has the distinction of not having one mark to his discredit.

Miss Louise and Naomi Harper of Fort Madison spent last Sunday in our city as guests of Miss Verna Beamon.

Mrs. Harriet Dade witnessed the baptizing at Canton, Mo., on the 11th inst., also visited with relatives.

Mrs. Emma Brown recently sustained a very painful injury while attempting to board a street car. We hope it may not prove serious.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

The A. M. E. church held a rally Sunday, May 18. Quite a large sum was raised toward the debt on the church.

Mr. John Spencer of Grinnell was in the city Sunday to attend the rally. While in the city he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Brown.

Mr. Carl Brown was host at a dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for twelve. Those from out of town were Mr. Fred Simms and Albert Greene of Toledo, Miss Bertha Carter and Mrs. C. Starks of Cedar Rapids.

Rev. I. H. Kinney entertained the A. M. E. Missionary society Thursday, the 15th, at the home of Mrs. Carrie Wheeler. Mrs. Morris (white) continued her story of Jacob Kennedy, a colored missionary to Africa. After the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Addie Suter the last Thursday in June, a three-course dinner was served by Mrs. Wheeler assisted by her daughter, Miss Beulah. A delightful time was had by all present.

Mr. Tom Robinson of State Center was in the city over Sunday, the guest of Miss Hardenia Gilmore.

At the end of the school year there are fourteen colored children in the grades and four in high school. Miss Beulah Wheeler is in her junior year. Those who will leave Monday for Davenport to attend the Iowa State Federation are Mrs. I. L. Brown, Mrs. R. Roman, Miss Wilda Warn and Miss Jessie Walker. Mrs. I. L. Brown will meet her sister, Mrs. S. W. Greene, who will also attend, at Tama City.

NOTICE

The Iowa-Nebraska Baptist Sunday School Convention will hold its twenty-eighth annual session with the Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday school, Buxton, Iowa, June 12, 13, 14 and 15, 1913.

Dear Brethren and Co-Workers: The call is loud and the field is extensive. We urge you to come to Buxton, not only with determination, but with money to do great things for God and His cause. Let us make this the banner year of the convention. Yours for the cause, F. B. Woodard, President.

NOTES OF GRAND CHAPTER.

The sixth annual grand session of Electa Grand Chapter, State of Iowa, are in session at Masonic hall at Buxton, Iowa, with Guiding Star Chapter No. 11, with Worthy Grand Matron Ruth B. Bright of Davenport presiding. The following grand officers were present: W. G. M. Ruth B. Bright, W. G. F. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines, W. G. A. M. Lizzie Green of Burlington, W. G. Treas. Emma Milligan of Cedar Rapids, W. G. Sec. Mary E. Bland of Keokuk, G. C. Cora E. Jones of Oskaloosa, G. A. C. Addie Johnson of Buxton.

Misses Jennie Koger, P. W. M. and Eva Abbey of Price of the West Chapter, No. 30, of Minneapolis, Minn., are visiting Electa Grand Chapter.

On Monday evening Guiding Star Chapter No. 11, invited Electa Grand Chapter to dedicate their hall.

Miss Jessie Walker of Marshalltown is visiting the Grand Lodge.

Members of Electa Grand Chapter are being royally entertained at the Hotel Buxton.

MASON CITY NEWS.

Master Harry Hawkins, who has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, is reported much better.

Mrs. J. E. Beverly and Mrs. Scott Davis made a flying trip to Fort Dodge on Sunday and returned the same day.

Mrs. E. J. Penney of Manly, Iowa, was an over Sunday visitor in Mason City.

Mrs. L. W. Tyler, who has been real sick for the past week, was able to be out again Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stratton and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell formed a party of four and went to Saunders' Cafe for a special Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Midget and daughter, Margaretta, are visitors in the city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Green for an indefinite time. Their home is in Chillicothe, Mo.

Mr. Redman is also a visitor in Mason City from Fulton, Ill.

OHIO SUSTAINS HUMAN RIGHTS

State Legislature Defeats Bill For Separate Marriage.

LEADERS IN THE CONTEST.

Measure Known as House Bill No. 26 'Intended to Prevent Intermarriage Between Races Failed of its Purpose by a Vote of More Than One-half. Big Victory For the People.

Columbus.—The second week in April records the defeat of Ohio's separate marriage measure known as house bill No. 27. The fight against the pernicious proposition was won after a severe contest which lasted for several weeks. Ohio Afro-Americans, male and female, with the aid of their influential white friends, protested vigorously against the measure, which was intended to humiliate the race in the state in particular and in the nation in general.

The Cleveland delegation, known as the "militant warriors," led by the



HON. HARRY O. SMITH.

brave and experienced Harry O. Smith, was composed of Dr. H. C. Bailey, Theodore B. Green, Madams Blanche Gilmore, Bessie Kitzmiller and Mollie C. Green, gave their leader the most loyal support throughout the tedious struggle which culminated in a sweeping victory for human rights regardless of race or color. The vote stood thirty-two for and sixty-six against the passage of the separate marriage bill.

Thus Ohio registers her protest against discrimination on account of race in no uncertain terms. This makes the sixth state to vote down measures of this kind. The other states are Iowa, Kansas, New Jersey, Michigan and Pennsylvania. The Hon. Mr. Smith has been three times elected to the state legislature. Although now in private life, so to speak, the loyal support which members of the race gave him in this recent brilliant fight has greatly encouraged him to continue in the work for racial uplift.

On Nov. 7, 1895, when Mr. Smith was a candidate for re-election, he received 3,000 votes more than the Republican candidate who was running for common pleas judge. In September, 1899, Mr. Smith was renominated for the second time and was elected by a large vote. There were thirty candidates, and Mr. Smith's plurality on election day, Nov. 7, 1899, was over 10,000. His work, personal and newspaper, in the interest of the race and the Republican party for a period of more than twenty-eight years is well known.

His most conspicuous work as a legislator in the interest of the race during his first term (in 1894) was the passage of the Ohio civil rights law. His "nob violence or anti-lynching law," which is now on the statute books of the grand old state, overshadowed all his work in the general assembly of Ohio. For four years, during the time Senator Foraker was governor of Ohio and as a result of his favor, Mr. Smith was a deputy state oil inspector.

His bond of \$5,000 was signed by three of Cleveland's oldest and most highly respected colored citizens. Though born in West Virginia (in 1863), he has lived since 1895 in Ohio at Cleveland, where he attended the public schools, graduating from the Central high school. No other Negro legislator the state has ever had has such a splendid record for work done, the kind that is of practical benefit to the race. No other is more highly respected in Ohio than Mr. Smith.

Indeed, he is the only Negro legislator who has ever accomplished such work for the race. Mr. Smith has always wielded a fearless and able pen for right and truth. He has fought squarely in behalf of his race, demanding for it recognition wherever denied. Though at times he has been severely criticised, he has never varied from what he considered his duty.

Unique Business Concern Prospers.
The Farmers and Consumers League, located in the heart of the wholesale district in Philadelphia, is designed to reduce the high cost of living by a new system by which the farmer deals directly with the consumer through the league. The project is succeeding. Messrs. C. K. Brown and Charles A. Hopkins are the promoters of the unique concern.

AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

It was late last summer when the thirteenth annual convention of the National Negro Business league was held at Chicago. The press reports of it were inevitably fragmentary and did not carry information of the proceedings much beyond local limits. A complete and official report has now been issued, containing more than two hundred pages that are as interesting as a romance. In fact, though a mirror of actual experiences, they bear not a little of the spirit of romance. The convention lasted three days. It was composed of delegates from all over the country, representing all kinds of business and the several professions. The farmers were perhaps in the majority, but there were merchants and bankers as well, lawyers, doctors and ministers, the union of whose prayers and the eloquence of whose addresses have rarely been surpassed in gatherings of that kind.

These conventions are to a very significant extent barometers of progress. It is eleven years, since the league held a previous one in Chicago, a year over a decade. At that time it was in the experimental stage, but it emerged from that a considerable while ago. At that time it was more an occasion for looking hopefully to the future. On the return to the western metropolis there were scores of guests and delegates who had gratifying personal records of progress to present. About fifty different enterprises were listed on the programme. As stated by the compiler of the report, S. Laing Williams, assistant United States district attorney at Chicago, "reports of actual accomplishment and growing confidence were never so great at any previous convention of the league."

It was an experience meeting of the most interesting kind. Stories of coming up from nothing to independence, to popularity and even to affluence were told with the quaintness of speech that we expect from the shrewd negro who has gained his education in the rough school of experience, and the compiler has not corrected his syntax or attempted to translate his idioms into conventional phrase. That would have extracted some of their choicest flavor. That the audience derived the keenest enjoyment from these recitals was evident from the frequency with which "applause and laughter" punctuated the various life stories that ought to be an inspiration to the younger members of the race. Nothing is wasted upon such a gathering. It is as quick to recognize humor as it is ready to give close attention to serious counsel.

The only remarkable thing about that first Chicago convention, says the compiler, "was the wide vision and splendid optimism of its president, Dr. Booker T. Washington." He is still its president and conducted the latest deliberations. Since the league was launched there has been an outgrowth of scores of affiliated leagues, all of them agencies of negro progress. It is one of the children of Booker Washington's wise enterprise and consecration to the welfare of his people. When his service for the race shall come to be measured it is not alone Tuskegee that must be taken into the account.

Smile and your friends will join you. Be a grumbler and you'll have no friends.—The People's Recorder.

Helena, Ark., is opening another Negro drug store. A colored woman is said to be the proprietor.

At the funeral in New York city of J. Pierpont Morgan, the mighty man in the field of American finances, last Monday, no eulogies were pronounced as the deceased had objected to that before his death; but in accord with Mr. Morgan's wishes, only the ritual service of the church and some hymns he had selected, made up the funeral program. Among the hymns Mr. Morgan requested while alive, that if "Calvary" was sung by Harry Burleigh, the Negro baritone, whom he had heard often and of whom Mr. Morgan was an admirer. Burleigh lives in Atlanta, Ga. The magnate and the Negro were friends. The one had great fortune, the other had great talent.

Whoever said that there is a remedy for every ill never was a dancer and lost a leg.

To sing chickens hold them over a saucer of burning alcohol. It does not leave soot on the flesh.

It is a good scheme to keep the children's overshoes together with clothes pins.

Mr. Richard O. Tanner, who represents the race with such distinction in the field of art, is now in this country from France letting the American public see some of his paintings. He was recently in Indianapolis with a collection of his pictures; some of his landscape subjects, which are said to be charmingly beautiful, and some of his sober religious subjects, which are highly praised by art critics for conception and execution, are in his collection.

He who forgives ends the quarrel.

Topeka, Kan., has several flourishing Negro groceries. Among these are the M. E. Williams, the Fair Grounds, and the Square Deal groceries. The one colored real estate firm of Topeka, Kan., is that of Stewart & Bryant. They are also money lenders.

A new firm known as the Colored Real Estate Company has opened offices in Newport News, Va.

Gossip is a cartridge fired from the gun of idle curiosity.

Atlantic City, N. J.—W. Forrest Cozart, one of the best known colored waiters in the United States, and who has been greatly interested along with thousands of other readers in the articles on "Why Colored Waiters Are Losing Out," in an interview gave his views on the subject. Mr. Cozart is an ex-head waiter, having had twenty years' experience as head waiter in large hotels located in every section of this country. He is author of the "Waiters' Manual," the first book of its kind published in America, and is one of the founders of the Head and Second Waiters' Benefit association, and was the organization's first president.

Mr. Cozart, in discussing the subject, said: "I desire to submit the following reasons why colored waiters are losing out: "First, Owing to previous conditions and race prejudice he is not only held within certain bounds, but many avenues heretofore open to him are now being closed. The influx of foreigners of many nationalities is producing a labor crisis in all branches of labor, therefore they are crowding out the colored workmen all along the line.

"Second, I have no knowledge of the individual cases cited a few weeks ago by Mr. Bell, but I am thoroughly convinced that the greatest drawback to the colored waiter is the lack of a sufficient number of competent head waiters.

"That I have not hastily embraced this conclusion may be known by presenting the following facts: The colored waiters are facing the same condition today that confronted them twelve or fifteen years ago. At that time a general movement seemed to have been on foot to supplant the colored waiters. Matters became very serious, especially throughout the middle states and northwest. About this time a few progressive head and side waiters rose to the emergency and aroused their fellow-craftsmen all along the line and accomplished much good. Having heard many hotel proprietors claim that colored waiters did not know how to give good service, I published the "Waiters' Manual," a treatise on dining-room service."

CONSUMERS COME BACK.

An old farmer had a daughter who was seized with an ambition to study high art. She dined on him until he agreed to send her to Paris. She went, but do not conceive any notions about what happened, for you will miss it. She lingered in gay Paris and stood for lessons from the fatted calf for a year and two months. She learned to draw so well that one could tell her Ben Davis apple from a Hubbard squash. One day she hung a gash sized canvas over the head of a masher artist and came home. In addition to various trinkets which she picked up, she brought back an idea. She injected high art into the produce marketed from the ranch. Vegetables, butter, eggs and poultry went to market in fancy packages patterned strictly on rules of art, which in plain language is the trick of making things look good to the eye. She named the place and put the farm trade-mark on every package. In two months she was getting a premium on all the good stuff the farm could turn out. The consumers were coming back and asking the retailer for goods made on this farm.—Denver Field and Farm.

NURSERIES SPREAD SCALE.

Professor Bentley of the Tennessee state station says that San Jose scale spreads chiefly by means of infected nursery stock. When once introduced it is only a short time before multitudes appear. When the scale are young and active they crawl upon the feet and legs of birds and insects and are thus transferred from tree to tree. Strong winds and beating rains frequently cause the young scale to be carried some distance.

Young fruit trees that were planted in the autumn of last year, or in the spring of this year, should be examined carefully. Any dead twigs should be removed with a sharp knife. All very thin or delicate looking limbs that seem to be in the way of stronger ones should be removed.

Fame is made up of four letters, but how much spirit.

A whispered rumor generally becomes a rumble of gossip.

Brush pie crust with cream to insure a rich brown color.

It is hard to reach the "so-called" big Negro with a newspaper, unless his name is in print. This same Negro will pay advertising rates for news matter (society notes) in a big white daily, then pay thirty or forty copies to mail to others of his kind, so as to allow them to know how he stands with the white folks.—Nashville Clarion.

The great poison-bearer (the snake) goes about with bowed head; the little poison-bearer (the scorpion) goes about with tail aloft.

The farmer who keeps one eye on his acres and the other on market quotations prospers.

The man who means right and never does so is to be pitied, but not to be relied upon.

Optimism is the new religion, ever needed in this hour of theological contentions.

The farmer at his case has more ease than anyone riding on tires on easy street.

BASEBALL

Connie Mack is carrying ten pitchers on his roster.

Lee Magee of the St. Louis Cardinals is a fast man.

Mike Donlin has announced that he is through with the game.

"Up and at 'em, boys!" is the spirit Chance has instilled in his Yankees.

Joe Jackson is ready to try for big league base-stealing honors again this year.

We know that you'll be glad to learn that Brief still lingers with the Browns.

When it rains just console yourself with the thought that the home team can't lose.

There have been numerous extra inning games in the National league this spring.

Bobby Wallace of the St. Louis Browns has been in the big leagues seventeen years.

With the bases loaded, Buck O'Brien recently walked a man and handed a game to the Athletics.

Howard Shanks and Ray Morgan have won regular berths for themselves with the Senators.

Acosta, the sixteen-year-old Cuban who is with the Washington team, is looked upon as a coming star.

The tendency of the time is to use as many pinch hitters as possible. About one in ten seems to deliver.

Nick Altrock and Germany Schaefer are still rehearsing their vaudeville act and coaching between times for Griffith's Senators.

Bobby Bescher of the Reds is the star base stealer in the game today. Bobby not only possesses speed, but knows how to use it.

Pitchers Johnson of Cincinnati, Mayor of Philadelphia, Steele of St. Louis and Demaree of New York have twirled three-hit games.

Manager Charley Carr's baseball college is to cost \$750,000. Carr will have many star players of the majors as instructors in his school.

Manager Jennings is doing his old stunts on the coaching lines this year and everything about the Tiger team is much the same as last year.

Manager McGraw has decided to keep three recruits on his staff, Gault, Demaree and Schupp are the lineup candidates for the regular turn in the box.

Chapman, one of the recruit catchers of the Reds, is attracting the attention of Manager Tinker because of the way he handles himself behind the bat.

Vean Gregg, Cleveland's star south-paw hurler, thinks that a red shirt is a jinx, and says there will be nothing doing in the fiery garment line for him this year.

A Cincinnati sport writer says that Tinker has a good team. "All he needs is one more star twirler; the other portions of the team will do," says the scribe.

Pitcher Fuch, who has made a first-class showing with the Nashville team in practice, cost Nashville \$30, that being the price paid to the Beatrice club for his release.

Foster, the young pitcher who is showing up splendidly with the Red Sox, was once with the Browns, and last season was the star hurler of the Houston, Texas, team.

Griff has decided that Ray Morgan will cling to second base. Frank LaPorte is to be the utility infielder and pinch hitter of the Nationals. Beauty before age did it for the veteran.

Sidney W. Challenger, of Bridgeport, has been elected president of the newly organized Eastern Baseball Writers' association, whose members will report Eastern association games.

And now Connie Mack doesn't think that the Senators will cut much of a caper in the American league pennant race. Either the Athletics or the Red Sox will attend to the winning stuff this season, avers Connie.

The New York Sun states that "camera funds have become so numerous at major league ball parks that a halt may be called. Some of the club owners believe that persons are using cameras as a stall to get past the gate tenders for nothing."

When the Naps face the Yankees on the afternoon of June 3 at the Polo grounds it will be Larry Lajoie's first appearance at the historic ball yard since 1901. Larry hopes he will bat as well there as he did in the old days, when he was a National league slugger.

Harry Lord is regarded as a come-back in baseball this year. He was taken off third base last summer, but put back there this spring because he had recovered his stride.

When Griffith's Nationals licked the Giants in an early exhibition game, McGraw criticized Griffith for instructing Johnson to go to top speed. "Waiter didn't even work up a sweat," was the Old Fox's reply. "If we ever get into a world's series with the Giants, he will show them a lot more than that."

MANAGER FRANK CHANCE



Leader of the New York Highlanders is much satisfied with his team and sanguine of finishing near the top in the race for the American league pennant despite the fact that from the very start of the season many of his best players were kept out of the game by reason of injuries.

This promises to be a good year for Eddie Collins.

Manager McGraw intends to make speed the main factor in the work of his players again this year.

Another collegian who may break into the majors is Costello, the Georgetown infielder, who obtained gridiron fame last fall by booting the field goal that beat Virginia.

Cleveland looks better as a pennant contender than in years; in fact, since that memorable race of 1908. The Forest City infield is one of the strongest it has ever boasted.

Baseball traditions hold that in the spring the pitchers get the big end of it, pitching few hit battles, while along in June the batsmen get on to them and begin to smash the pill.

Jim Thorpe is taking the very best care of himself, according to the Giant players. He is far from being a finished ball-player, yet they claim he is learning to hit the ball good and hard every day.

The smoothness of the workings of the Polo grounds as a home for the Giants and the Highlanders this season has revived the talk of the two big leagues doubling up on grounds in some of the other cities.

SPORTING WORLD

Cleveland has declared off both of the free-for-all events because of the scarcity of entries.

Big money on the half-mile tracks is keeping a lot of horses from the grand circuit this year.

Havis James has a three-year-old pacer by Hedgewood Boy that has worked a mile in 2:12 1/4.

Koji Yamada, the Japanese expert, has challenged Willie Hoppe for the 18.2 ball line billiard championship.

Gunboat Smith, with 183 pounds of heft, is the lightest heavyweight now in the limelight, but he has the stiffest punch.

Shattuck of California hurled the sixteen-pound hammer 175 feet 10 inches, setting a new mark for the intercollegiate.

Harvard breathes a sigh of relief at last. Haughton has signed his three-year contract. The Crimson is now ready to sit up and take notice.

The French champion cross-country runner, Bouin, is ambitious of beating Watkin's record of 21 miles 1,238 yards in an hour before retiring.

Tom Burrows, the Australian, made an attempt to beat the record of 112 hours of continuous club swinging in London a few days ago, but failed after 108 hours of effort.

The Interstate tournament committee has appointed as its committee to allot the grand American handicaps Guy Deering, Ed Cain, Charles Newcomb, Harvey Dixon and F. M. Edwards.

Henry Ordeman, the Minneapolis heavyweight wrestler, defeated Charley Cutler of Chicago in straight falls at Minneapolis. The first was made in forty-one minutes and the second in eleven minutes.

Swedish athletes who won championships at the Olympic games in Stockholm last summer are to be invited to participate in the American Olympic games to be held here from June 28 to July 6.

Charles Williams of London, the world's racquet champion, beat Jack Soutar of the Racquet club, Philadelphia, four out of six games in the first half of their \$1,500 a side match at the Queen's club, London.

Forrest Smithson, the Pacific coast athlete, who won the 110-meter high hurdle race at the London Olympic in 15 seconds, has started out as a professional coach, taking charge of the Santa Clara college track team at Santa Clara, Cal.

The Berlin Olympic stadium will be better than either the London or Stockholm building. The arena proper will measure 951 feet by 312 feet; the cinder track will be 1,312 feet by 19 feet, and the cycle track will measure 2,160 feet by 88 feet.

BAKE CANNED SALMON

TEMPTING DISH FOR EITHER DINNER OR LUNCHEON.

Secret of Old-Time Famous Philadelphia Caterer Revealed for the Benefit of Those Who Wish to Try It.

One of the most appetizing and tempting dishes one could wish for either a good dinner for the family or for a most elaborate luncheon may be made by following the directions given below, which is one of the secrets of a famous Philadelphia caterer of twenty-five years ago.

Drain the liquor off one can of salmon, into a saucepan and set aside. Then remove all the skin and bone from the meat, picking it up into small pieces with a silver fork and put on to boil in the liquor for ten minutes, if there is not sufficient liquor add a little boiling water, but a half cupful of liquor is sufficient.

Bring to the boiling point one-half pint of milk, then stir into it a thickening made by rubbing together a tablespoonful of butter and two tablespoonfuls of flour, and boil until it thickens. Then add two beaten eggs, the juice of a good-sized onion, a teaspoonful of parsley, a dash of cayenne pepper and salt to taste.

To the salmon add one cupful of cucumber pickles, sliced fine, and two sliced hard-boiled eggs, also the juice of half a lemon. Stir this well and pour over it the cream dressing, mix all together thoroughly and cook two minutes, then pour into an enamel-lined baking dish and cover with bread crumbs and bake one-half hour in a hot oven. Or one may use ramekins or individual fish shells and cover with bread crumbs and bake.

To prepare this dish for twenty-five people use three cans of salmon, four beaten eggs, four hard-boiled eggs and double the other ingredients.

For two cans double only the milk and use three eggs boiled hard and more pickles, otherwise use the same quantities as given in the first recipe.

At first reading this recipe may sound very complicated, but if the ingredients are brought out and set where they are at hand, then everything may be done in the order it is written, and the entire dish prepared in fifteen or twenty minutes.

Hamburg Roast. Take two pounds of beef (top of the round is best); one-third (or more) cup of soft breadcrumbs; one egg well beaten; one teaspoonful of salt; one teaspoonful of expressed onion juice or finely minced onion; one tablespoonful of chopped parsley; one of chopped red peppers, if at hand, or a pinch of red pepper, and one-fourth teaspoonful of ground mace (if desired). Mix all together thoroughly, and shape into a compact roll. Put into a baking pan with a slice of bacon or fat salt pork above it and baste with dripping as it cooks. Bake for 30 or 40 minutes. Have pared, peeled potatoes cut in halves ready, and after the meat has been seared on the outside by about 10 minutes in a very hot oven, drain the potatoes from their salt water and set them around the roast, basting both vegetables and meat with the hot fat as they cook at a slow even heat till done.

Hominy Gems. One-quarter cup hominy, one-half teaspoon salt, one-half cup boiling water, one cup scalded milk, one cup white corn meal, one-quarter cup sugar, three tablespoons butter, two eggs, three teaspoons baking powder. Add hominy and salt to boiling water and stand on back of range until water is absorbed. Add milk to cornmeal, then add butter and sugar. Mix well and add hominy. Cool. Add egg yolks well beaten and whites beaten stiff. These gems are delicious. Buy hominy (ground) and white cornmeal in five-pound bags.

To Remove Marks From Furnitures. To remove the white marks caused by the dampness from a flower-pot standing on your polished sewing machine, rub the spot with a cloth moistened with linseed oil and turpentine blended together in equal parts, then polish immediately with a clean dry cloth till all traces of the treatment is removed. A cloth moistened in ordinary coal oil will often have the desired effect, depending on the kind of finishing varnish used on the article.

Mending Gloves. I used to find mending kid gloves more trouble than they were worth until a friend told me to mend them in the following manner: First, buttonhole all around the edge of the tear (not quite so close as when making an ordinary buttonhole); then overcast, taking up the edge of the buttonhole, and draw the two edges together.—Exchange.

Little Plum Cakes. One cup sugar creamed with half a cup of butter, add three well beaten eggs, a teaspoon of vanilla, four cups sifted flour, one cup raisins, one cup currants, half a teaspoon of saleratus dissolved in a little water, and milk enough to make a stiff batter. Drop on well buttered tins and bake in a quick oven.

Corned Beef Balls. Two teaspoons finely chopped corned beef, one onion minced very fine, three teaspoons mashed potato, salt and pepper to season, one egg; beat all together well, form into balls, roll well in flour and fry in deep fat, as you would fry doughnuts; garnish with parsley or celery leaves and serve hot.

To Wax Hardwood Floors. Boil one-half pound of potash with the same weight of water and add one pound of beeswax; apply to the floor while hot. This makes an excellent finish for any waxed work, such as inside finish of dwellings.

Old Bedspreads Used. A bedspread too old to use makes very nice bath towels. Cut them the size desired and hem all around.

THE BROKEN COIN

Always up to date

Aunt Betty, who is not really an aunt at all, but only a very dear friend of mother's, has made her home with us for over 20 years. She had been with us ever since she lost her little boy and her husband in a forest fire in Canada. One of her ideas was that some day her son would come back, alive and strong, and that he would marry Dorothy. She kept the half of a coin that had been hers since her courtship days. The other half had been tied round the neck of her husband, who had vanished in the smoke. She would fetch it out of its hiding place every little while and fondle it, saying: "My husband, I shall never see again, but my son will come and bring the other half of this coin for Dorothy, just as his father brought it to me."

Dorothy, who is my sister, took it all in good part, and never let Aunt Betty catch her smiling at me when her future husband was mentioned.

One would have thought that Chadwick was the last of people to cause any disturbance in our quiet, well-ordered life. He was an ideal, well-to-do, clean, upstanding American of far above the average intelligence. Mother liked him because he never drove too fast for her. I liked him because he had sane views on the tire question. And Dorothy liked him, she said, because he had a perfectly straight nose.

As a matter of fact, there was nothing about Chadwick's nose to call for the comment which used to exasperate poor Cyrano de Bergerac. Nevertheless, either the nose or the fascination for motoring made Dorothy sadly neglect her horses for the sake of the automobile. None of us thought anything of it until one day Dorothy said she was going to see the Johnsons, who lived about 20 miles away, and went off with Chadwick in the automobile. About half an hour later Aunt Betty made up her mind that she would like to go to the Johnsons' also. I borrowed Tony Spencer's machine and took her along. About ten miles from home we came up with our own car standing empty in the road.

I pulled up and jumped out to find what was the matter. We could see no one. But it was a warm summer day, and the soft breeze carried a low murmur of voices from some bushes a few yards from the road. I walked over to them, and came upon a scene I shall never forget until by dying day. Dorothy and Chadwick were both seated on the ground. He had his arm around her waist, and she had a luncheon basket in her lap.

"Good heavens!" I cried. They both looked up, and then, seeing who I was, they scrambled to their feet.

"Mercy sakes!" cried Aunt Betty, who had followed me. After that there was a silence which Dorothy was the first to break. "I don't care," she said. "I love him." I was wild with rage. "What right have you to touch her, to so much as look at her?" I asked Chadwick. "You—a greasy mechanic, with your hands and clothes slimy with the oil of machines. What sort of a home could you give her? A stucco dwelling in a back street, with the neighbors' children clambering over the front porch—the neighbors' weekly wash flapping in the back yard!" He heard me out without flinching, though I could see every word I uttered hurt. When I stopped for breath, he began to speak.

"My God, Miss Henderson, you don't have to tell me all that I've been lying awake nights thinking about it. But what are we to do? We love each other. I swear to you I meant no harm. I swear to you on the thing I hold most sacred." He was tugging at his neck as he spoke, and then he drew from under his shirt the half of a coin exactly like Aunt Betty's.

"Where did you get that?" screamed Aunt Betty.

"I've had it since I was a boy I remember my father putting it round my neck just before he fell exhausted from smoke on the banks of a river. Before he died he put me on a sort of raft and floated me down the stream. I remember his saying, 'Go, take the old token to your mother, lad.' I was picked up further down the stream. I don't even know who my father was, but I have been trying to find my mother ever since."

"My son, my son!" cried Aunt Betty, and she fainted in his arms. I shall never forget the expression on my mother's face when I brought Chadwick down to dinner with me, and introduced him as Aunt Betty's son and Betty's fiancé.—Buffalo Express.

Owed Good Dinner to Fish. The valuable contents of a pike recently furnished the means for a festive supper to more than four hundred poor persons at Fuenfkirchen, near Budapest, Hungary. The fish, a fourteen-pounder, was purchased in the fish market of Josef Abasoff, the manager of the municipal charity kitchen, and in its stomach was found a leather purse, containing gold, silver, and nickel coins. The mayor directed that part of the money should be expended on a meal to the poor, and a generous supper was served in which the voracious but luck-bringing fish formed the leading course.

Mutual Confidences. "Whenever I propose anything at all, my wife invariably throws cold water on me."

"That's better than the way my wife does."

"What's that?"

"Keeps me in hot water."

In the Background. "I didn't hear you sing or speak at the strawberry festival. Why don't you come forward and show some public spirit at these affairs?"

"I did play a minor part. I donated the strawberries."

His Means. "That jockey we were speaking of beat all records."

"He was in the habit, though, of punishing his mount rather severely."

"Naturally, when he wanted to beat records, he used a whip."

ALWAYS UP TO DATE

Modern burglars men of scientific attainments.

Latest inventions utilized by the learned raffles in his "profession"—many spend years in special study.

Science, while aiding mankind in all sorts of beneficent ways, is at the same time aiding the crackman to pursue his nefarious work with much more neatness and dispatch, and with less danger to himself, than ever before. The modern burglar now sports the clumsy outfit of crowbar, jimmy, and skeleton keys. He knows a trick worth a dozen of those. He carries a few ounces of nitroglycerine, a cylinder or two of oxygen and acetylene, and a blowpipe. With these easily concealed tools he can force his way through the toughest steel.

The blowpipe is the deadly enemy which the safe manufacturer is now trying, with the aid of science, to circumvent. Under the intense heat that it generates the strongest steel crumples up like paper. A circle some two feet in diameter can be cut through the metal, even if an inch thick, in a few minutes.

A steel plate which a shell from a 4.5 gun falls to dent will fall an easy victim to a few cubic feet of oxygen and acetylene gas in combination. When the thermite process for welding iron was discovered, advantage was immediately taken of this for the purpose of burning through plates of steel.

Deadly forces must be handled with care and an exact knowledge of the power of which they are capable. It is not for the reckless or the bungler to toy with the blowpipe or nitroglycerine. So raffles sets to work to acquire a scientific knowledge and skill of manipulation that, if put to some legitimate use, might open up to him an honorable career.

Quite recently a safe-breaker, whose successful career was suddenly halted by the law, fairly amazed expert scientists by the completeness of his library, which comprised a valuable collection of books in French and German written by scientists for presentation to technical societies. He made a specialty of the subject of the force of the blowpipe on metals. He admitted that he had spent three years in this study. A laboratory adjoining his library was small and compact, but for completeness of equipment would have done credit to a science school. In this laboratory he had made some improvements.

No sooner does the scientist discover some tremendous force than he must set to work to counteract that force in the hands of the criminal. It is said that recent experiments have produced a steel that will even withstand the blast of the blowpipe.—Harper's Weekly.

Appearances Are Deceitful. An amusing comedy of errors is reported from England. A titled lady was expecting a wealthy and well-known man at her country residence and sent her carriage to meet the train. At the station the coachman saw only two people—a shabby old man and an immaculately groomed young one. Naturally he asked the latter if he were going to the house, which was two miles away. He was, and drove up to state.

Then came the comedy. The gentleman was asked to see her ladyship in the drawing-room, and she realized at once that a mistake had occurred. "No mistake at all, your ladyship," was the reply. "Here is my card." He was the piano tuner! The coachman was sent back post haste, and met the shabby old man covered in mud and lamenting loudly at having had to walk a mile and a half in the rain.

Executions for Witchcraft. Executions for witchcraft were common in England in the seventeenth century. In 1618 nine women were hanged in Leicestershire for witchery, and at Newcastle, in 1650, fifteen persons were put to death for a similar offense. Barrington estimates the "judicial murders" for witchcraft in England to have amounted to 30,000 in the space of two hundred years, and it has been computed that from first to last not fewer than nine millions of persons have suffered for witchcraft under the Christian regime. The last person judicially executed in England for witchcraft was a woman and her daughter, nine years of age, who were hanged at Huntingdon in 1718. The last judicial execution in Scotland for witchcraft was of a woman in 1722, who was condemned to death by the Sheriff of Sutherlandshire. The penal acts against witchcraft were repealed in 1736 in the reign of George II.

Sixteen Weddings in Ninety Minutes. Sixteen young couples were married in an hour and a half at St. Luke's church, Victoria, Docks, Canning Town, the other morning. Some walked to the church, some came in taxicabs, and two or three in carriages drawn by pairs of grays. Two brides were in white with veils, and several wore bright costumes and enormous hats and feathers. Some of the bridegrooms had no collars; others wore tall coats and ambitious waistcoats.

"I officiate on an average at five hundred marriages a year," said the vicar (Canon J. C. Buckley). "I have married more than 6,500 couples since I came here and solemnized 40,000 baptisms."—London Mail.

Presence of Mind Saved Him. Locked in an ice chest, Levi, a native of the Azores, whose last name is a mystery, escaped death in a Boston downtown hotel, the other day, by turning off the entire beer and ale supply of the establishment. Levi went into the ice chest on an errand when some one accidentally locked the big door behind him. He shouted and pounded in vain for help, when he thought of turning off the beer and ale supply as a means of attraction. The results were immediate and excited investigators found Levi nearly frozen.

