

IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

VOL. XX NO. 29

DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1914.

Price Five Cents.

CITY NEWS.

Dr. L. R. Willis of Buxton, the dentist, spent New Year's in our city.

Mr. Walter Birney does not improve at all. He remains about the same.

Mrs. J. T. Bell of Sioux City is visiting her parents and other relatives in this city.

Mr. John Wright and Mr. Beadle of Buxton spent Thursday in our city on business.

Mr. H. M. Clardy of Kansas City, Mo., is here visiting with his brother, W. G. Clardy, 103 Ridge street. He may go into business here.

Mrs. Wm. Coaleon is reported no better. Her many friends are much alarmed over her condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Fulton are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy. Both mother and child are doing well. Cigars are the next course Andy.

The entertainment to be given by North Star Lodge will be given sometime about the latter part of January. Look for the invitations.

Mrs. Ethel Fields, Mrs. Moore and Mr. Grant Buckner wish to express their thanks to the friends in Des Moines and Okaloosa for the kindness shown during their late bereavement of husband and son-in-law.

Mr. Raymond Renfro of Sioux City, who has been spending the holidays with his cousins, Clark Yeager and Dewitt Yeager, returned to his home Monday.

Several local friends of Atty. H. R. Wright, formerly of this city, but now serving as U. S. consul at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, S. A., are in receipt of New Year's greetings from himself and wife, advising them that they are well and enjoying their stay in the far-off southern clime.

Mrs. Edith Strawther and Miss Gertrude Hyde have returned from Atchison, Kans., and Kansas City, Mo. While in Kansas City as guests of Mrs. Clara E. Adams they attended a number of receptions and were guests of honor at a matinee party.

Mrs. M. H. Bamby, the famous mezzo soprano of Boston, Mass., will appear for the first time in Des Moines at the Corinthian Baptist church Friday evening, January 16. She comes highly recommended and has traveled extensively. Everybody is invited.

Miss Jessie Raufro of Ottumwa, Iowa, who has been spending the holidays with her auntie, Mrs. E. Yeager of 108 Thirteenth street, and her cousin, Mrs. L. Miller of Carney, returned to her home Sunday.

At the monthly meeting of the City Federation, held at the home of Mrs. Jessy E. McClain on Monday, January 5th, the president, Mrs. Warrick, appointed the following committees: On place, Mesdames Albert Gaiter, J. P. Hamilton and J. W. Campbell. On entertainment, Mesdames Chas. Cousins, Jessy E. McClain and Armisted Robinson. On badges, Mesdames S. Joe Brown, Geo. Patison and Williams. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Hamilton on Monday afternoon, February 2, 1914.

The Mary Church Terrill club met Monday evening with Miss Marie Bell. After the business session the club listened to the report of the delegates, Mrs. Edith Strawthers and Miss Gertrude Hyde, who attended the Inter-State at Atchison, Kans. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. J. N. Perkins; vice president, Miss Tabitha Mash; secretary, Mrs. Jessie Davis; assistant secretary, Miss Adah Hyde; treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Jones; critic, Mrs. Colleen Jones; journalist, Mrs. Emerald Mash; chaplain, Mrs. Pearl Thompson. The visitors present were Mesdames C. H. Comley of Webster City, Archie Alexander and Mrs. Theodore Bell of Sioux City.

The annual election for the Union Congregational church was held last Wednesday night. A goodly number of members were present and a fine meeting was held. All officers made their annual report in writing. The following were elected to the offices: Church clerk, Miss Lillian Neal; financial clerk, H. E. Jacobs; treasurer, John L. Thompson; organist, Mrs. H. W. Hughes; chorister, Mrs. J. T. Blagburn; superintendent of Sunday school, Gus Watkins. Member added to the trustee board is John A. Spencer and member added to the deaconess board is Mrs. J. H. Shepard.

THE LYCEUM.

At the meeting of the Des Moines Negro Lyceum last Tuesday evening reports were heard from Mr. Jesse A. Graves, who was a member of the executive committee, and Miss Mamie James, who was Des Moines' representative in the poetic contest at the meeting of the Inter-State Literary association recently held at Atchison, Kas., after which Mr. B. N. Hyde, an

ex-president, installed the newly elected officers with appropriate ceremonies. The meeting next week will be held with Miss Margaret Davis at 1058 West Fifth street, at which time Mrs. S. Joe Brown, superintendent of the National Association of Colored Women, will deliver an address upon "Starting the New Year Aright."

EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION.

The annual celebration of the Lincoln proclamation was held at the Corinthian Baptist church on Thursday night, January 1st. The church was crowded and a splendid program was rendered. Every member acquitted themselves with honor to themselves and credit to their race. The governor made a splendid address and was enthusiastically received. It was indeed a great meeting and inspiring to the large audience. The committee has decided to continue to give these celebrations each year.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Special evangelistic services will again be held beginning Sunday. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

On Monday night Dr. Herben, a noted evangelist from the east, will preach.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights Dr. E. J. Fisher, pastor of Olivet Baptist church, Chicago, Ill., will conduct evangelistic services. Both these able preachers will be present. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

T. L. Griffith, Minister.

IOWA STATE FEDERATION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS.

To the officers and various federated clubs throughout the state.—Greetings: May this happy new year bring to us new hopes for the success of our great object. May we be more united in our efforts and work in harmony for the good of our cause. May we be imbued with that true club spirit to be of service to humanity.

If in the past we have entertained any unkind feelings toward our sisters, may we appropriate to ourselves enough womanhood and a sufficient amount of the Divine will to cast all unkindness, revenge, undermining and hypocrisy into the rubbish of other anti-club deeds of 1913; and may we live more in keeping with our motto, *Sowing seeds of kindness.*

Wishing for you a happy and a prosperous club year, I am,
Yours in Sowing Seeds of Kindness,
Mrs. J. B. Rush,
Pres. I. S. F. C. W. C.

TIMES ARE HARD.

Of course times are hard. Everybody knows that. That times are hard has furnished the debaters in congress with thoughts for some of their finest collection of speeches. The party in and the party out are arraigning against each other. One says the tariff and Glass-Owen bill is the cause of it. The other says times are not hard, that there is only a little slack in business, that business will soon adjust itself to the new law and then everybody will have plenty of money, and that the McKinley tariff of 1893 made the greatest panic that this country ever passed through. But as to whether the new democratic tariff and currency law are making times hard or whether the people are satisfied, and is the laboring man content with his condition, let Mr. Wilson and Clark wait for the fast coming time when they will answer them.

Don't go and lay down in a corner, but climb up on the hilltops. They belong to you too. In the corner you will find it hard to be content. The dust and the darkness will smother you. Up on the hills the sun shines and there is room to stand up.

Has the lowering of the tariff cut the cost of living?

Mr. Wilson claims his new tariff has set the small business men free, and his currency reform gives them tools or money to work with. What did the laboring man get?

WHAT WRECKS THE HOMES.

According to the annual report of the court of domestic relation the mother-in-law is not the greatest home wrecker. She is not to be blamed with only 6 per cent of the wrecked homes in the great city of Chicago. But whisky is charged with almost half of the unhappiness. This is the table: Drunkenness, 46 per cent; immorality, 14 per cent; ill temper, 11 per cent; mother-in-law, 6 per cent, and 18 per cent is divided between youthfulness and laziness. So we can easily see that not only in Chicago, but almost everywhere old redevye is in the business of wrecking what would be happy homes. The report urges a provision by which a prisoner's earnings while in the workhouse should be sent to his family.

We should remember that each has so much energy, and if it is expended in fretting over small things or wasted on useless things we cannot use it on big and important ones.

Talking with noisy crowds on the street corner is a poor recommendation for a young man to secure a good position with.

Education fits one for a good position, but good behavior and good manners help one to secure it.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Mrs. Edna Hall has returned from Cedar Rapids, where she spent the holidays.

Mr. Will Ham and Miss A. Dorrick were united in the holy bonds of matrimony Christmas night at the home of Mr. Horn's mother on Center avenue.

Miss Finley and mother were visitors in our city a few days, guests of Mrs. Bibbs. They returned to Buxton on Monday morning.

The Benevolent club gave a chattering supper at the Second Baptist church Monday evening. They had a decided success, clearing \$27.

Mr. Earnest Strother of Joplin, Mo., is visiting relatives and friends.

Watch meeting was observed at the A. M. E. church. A large crowd attended and a rousing meeting was held. Everyone who attended was spiritually blessed.

The stewardesses gave an entertainment Wednesday evening. It was well attended and a financial success.

Mrs. Bessie Pertum is very sick at her home. We hope soon to see her fully recovered, as she is one of the faithful workers of the A. M. E. church.

Miss M. H. Demby, a prima donna of Boston, Mass., who is highly commended by press notices, will give a rehearsal at the Second Baptist church January 22.

The annual report of the Second Baptist church was read at the watch meeting last week. The Christmas rally was \$235. Splendid results were achieved last year, both spiritually and financially. Every dollar of debt is paid and a surplus is on hand to begin repairs.

An interesting review of the bondage and freedom of the Negro race was listened to in the speeches which were made at the emancipation celebration at the Second Baptist church last Thursday night. Two old veterans of the union army were among the speakers, Thompson and Mason Lewis. The church was decorated for the occasion with flags and pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Presley Oliver of Moberly, Mo., were in the city Christmas visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Derrick.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

Miss Dorcas Bell of Washington, Iowa, is visiting at the home of Miss Edna Jones for a few days.

Mrs. Ed Jones, who has been in Chicago taking a course of ladies' tailoring and designing, has returned home Monday. We wish her success in her trade.

Mrs. Isabella Fredrick of Des Moines is visiting at the parental home indefinitely.

Minna Smith, daughter of Rev. O. B. Smith and wife, of Evans died New Year's night at 3 o'clock, after a brief illness. She leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, two brothers, one sister. She was laid to rest in Forest cemetery.

Mrs. F. Moore received news of the death of her son-in-law, Thos. Field, of Des Moines on Thursday. He had been sick with pneumonia, but was thought to have recovered, when he suddenly died of heart trouble. He leaves a wife and daughter to mourn his death and a host of friends. The many friends of the family sympathize with them in their loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Tarver of Washington, Iowa, spent the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilson were also visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Horace and Rupert Franklin were visiting at the home of their sister, Mrs. Spicer, of Ottumwa.

Mrs. Bell Bush has recovered from her recent illness to be up and around again.

The dance given during the holidays by Porter and Buckner was quite well attended and a pleasant time was had.

Robt. Franklin and Horace spent their vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Spicer were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin on Christmas.

Gertrude Tolso and Ruth Crowder spent a few days in Evans, Iowa.

John Carr of Buxton was in town on business Friday.

Mrs. Belton of St. Paul has joined her husband, who is here employed at the Royal Cafe. They are living at 403 North Market street.

Miss Naomi Kimbrough of Des Moines spent her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kimbrough.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Eddie Martin, an employe of the Lafayette hotel, spent Christmas at his home in Dubuque.

The Christmas tree and exercises were held on Christmas eve at Bethel A. M. E. church to a large audience. The program was rendered by the scholars.

M. O. Culberson, Jr., wife and baby

of Davenport visited at the home of the parents of the former recently.

Miss Murda Beason was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Richardson, through the holidays. She will return soon to her duties as a student in the school at Cedar Falls.

The Misses Marie Wilkinson of Davenport and La. Vera Martin of Dubuque were holiday guests of the Misses Culberson on Eleventh avenue.

Mr. Guy Green of Dubuque was a holiday visitor in Clinton last week.

Curtis C. Bush returned from Chicago on Monday night, after spending the holidays with relatives.

The friends of little Norman Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mitchell of Fulton, are pleased that he passed through his operation all O. K. and was able to return to his home, where he is gradually becoming himself again.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Donahue left a few days ago for California, where they will make their future home.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Culberson in the birth of another son, born recently. Tom is all smiles.

Mrs. Carey of Chicago began a series of evangelistic services at Bethel A. M. E. church New Year's eve.

The Christmas tree and exercises of the Second Baptist church were held on Xmas night. The church was filled to its full capacity. The program was well rendered and enjoyed by all. At the appointed time the old Santa Claus appeared riding on his wheel. The distribution of presents then took place, to the enjoyment of all.

The concert which was given on the 29th for the Second Baptist church was a success. Eleven dollars and five cents was cleared as a result.

Rev. Sanders started out for another year's work Sunday, looking forward for greater results.

Mrs. Sanders and little daughter, Christeva, returned Saturday from Buxton, where she was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Ida Green. She reports her sister as being some better.

A new door has been placed at the Second Baptist church entrance, which makes quite an improvement.

Those on the sick list are Mr. Henry Judon and Miss Edith Jenkins. We hope for them a speedy recovery.

John L. Thompson is expected in the city in a few days. You who are indebted to The Bystander will please take notice. See the local agent or Mr. Thompson will see you when he comes, if you don't. So get busy.

By the redistricting of Keokuk district at the last annual conference we lose our secretary and assistant superintendent, as Muscatine and Washington are out of the district. We have asked Miss Richardson to act as secretary until the Sunday school convention. We have divided the district into two divisions—the sub-district superintendent, Miss Ila Allen, taking charge of division number one, which consists of the following schools, Chicago, St. Stevens, Maywood, La Grange, Aurora, Ill., Clinton, Ft. Madison, Keokuk and Burlington, Iowa. The district superintendent will take charge of division number two, consisting of the following, Galesburg, Monmouth, Kewanee, Canton, Rock Island, Moline, Ill., Dubuque and Davenport, Iowa.

BUXTON REVIEW.

(Last Week, Came Too Late.)

Mr. John Graves is still on the sick list.

Mr. J. E. Downs is not improving at this writing.

We are glad to see Miss Minnie Tansil back again from the hospital, where she went through with an operation.

Mrs. Mary Miles has been on the sick list with a very bad cold.

Miss Gertrude Lucas, one of the teachers, went home to spend the holidays.

Mrs. R. H. Jones is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. T. W. Watson of Rockford, Ill., and mother are in our city visiting.

Miss Mary Perkins, who has been to Iowa City attending the music college or conservatory, is in our city visiting her mother and sisters.

The Ladies' Elks had an entertainment last week, which was a success.

Mr. John Steel and wife of Enterprise are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Wright this week in Coopers-town.

Miss Ona Webb, who went to have her eyes treated, was home this week, but has returned to Iowa City to remain for a while.

Mr. R. H. Stewart has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Claybrooks were callers at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Baily one day last week.

Mrs. Sadie Smith of Des Moines is in our city visiting her husband, Mr. J. M. Smith.

Miss Ella White of Aurora, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Joe Sorrell this week.

Mr. James Henry left Tuesday for his home in Quincy, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ashby of So. Omaha were in our city during the holidays visiting their brother, Mr. Howard Ashby.

Mr. and Mrs. Booker Does entertained at dinner Xmas day Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baker, Mr. Jas. Roberts and Mrs. W. A. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blaney entertained a number of friends at dinner Christmas day.

Misses R. W. Southall and Mary Perkins, students in the State university at Iowa City, are spending the holidays with their parents and friends.

Miss Mazarine Ragadale, who is a

high school student in Des Moines, is home for the holidays.

Miss Elsie Carey, who has attended school at Western college during the fall term, is home for the winter.

Little Miss Olivia Parker of No. 16 East Third street is able to be out again, after a rather tedious spell of la grippe.

On Friday evening, the 26th, the Mission Circle made a very pretty and elaborate reception in honor of the male members, which, under the management of the worthy committee, with Mrs. Rose Watson as chairwoman, proved a very pleasant affair.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson are watching by the bedside of a real sick baby at this writing.

Little Irene Johnson is not so well at this time.

Mr. G. W. Pendleton went out Saturday with the determination to buy all game in sight, and as a result came in with six rabbits. Good for you, G. W.

Deacon Richard Anderson of East Seventh street is enjoying a visit with his sister, Mrs. Anna E. Jenkins of Tennessee. This is their first meeting in twenty-seven years.

Y. M. C. A.

Last Sunday was fathers' day. The meeting was well attended and many helpful and inspiring thoughts were brought out during the talks by the different fathers. The young men who were present requested that a day known as sons' day be given them. The boys club gave a very enjoyable social for their friends on Xmas night.

Recently a gift of a large number of Bibles for us to do more effective religious work in Tuesday night Bible class and Sunday meeting.

The Y. M. C. A. wishes all of its members and friends and The Bystander a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Lewis visited at the home of Mrs. Wilson Ray in Knoxville a few days of this week.

Mrs. Nellie Estes entertained the Sewing Circle club Monday afternoon and its visitors. Mrs. Estes proved herself to be an up-to-date hostess.

Miss Ida Davis of Ottumwa is the guest of Miss Ila Lewis at the home of Mrs. B. T. Lewis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith returned from a visit in Danville, Ill., and Gray, Indiana, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harris entertained at 6 o'clock supper Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Butler and son, Lawrence, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Berl Wood in Des Moines over Sunday.

Albia young people enjoyed themselves on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Hatlie Benning watching the old year out and the year of 1914 arrive. Mr. Malcom Griffith of Des Moines was the guest of honor.

Miss Carrie Randolph of New York, who is visiting her father in Hite-man, was in Albia a few days of this week.

Mrs. William Benning entertained Tuesday in honor of Mrs. E. Jeffers. A number of friends were present.

BRUNSWICK ITEMS.

Just in the midst of pleasure and prosperity the death angel visited our midst. Mr. Sandy Cayhart of this city departed this life December 19, 1913, at 2:30 p. m. at the age of 60 years. A wife, mother, five sisters and one brother mourn his demise. Funeral was preached at the A. M. E. church "Peace be to his ashes."

The Young Ladies' Golden Leaf Embroidery club had quite a success with their bazaar and program, which was rendered the 27th.

Sunday morning our pastor, Rev. W. H. Davis, preached a soul-stirring sermon. Subject, The Extension of the Church; (a) increase of stature, size, progress; (b) favor, pardon, mercy, virtue and privileges; (c) its clear perception.

Mrs. Sarah Porter, who is on the sick list, is reported no better at this writing.

Pastor and wife visited friends at Marshall, Mo., during the holidays.

Prof. S. W. Bigby visited his daughter, Mrs. Velma Roy, at Kansas City, Mo.

BOONE, IOWA.

(Special to Bystander.)

The A. M. E. Sunday school had a delightful Xmas entertainment. Every child was pleased with what Santa Claus gave them.

Miss Alice Stark gave a very pretty Xmas party with an Xmas tree attached. Every one present received a present from it.

Mr. Milton Hamilton, son of Rev. and Mrs. Stansberry, has come for the winter.

Mrs. Fred/Laurence spent Xmas in Cedar Rapids with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mae Terry.

Master Albert Brook is sick at his home with the smallpox.

Mrs. Patton was brought home. She is still very sick.

We are glad to say that Mrs. Turner is able to be home again, after a severe spell of sickness.

Mrs. Annie Lawrence is confined to her bed with rheumatism.

Mr. B. F. Taylor is on the sick list with a very bad cold; also Mrs. Geo. Taylor.

Mrs. Hadden paid a flying visit to Des Moines and spent the day there shopping.

Mr. C. Thomas has left Boone to visit in Chicago and his father in Indiana. We are always sorry to have good young men leave our town.

Mrs. Colline Stark was confined in bed since Xmas day. She is some better at this writing.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gordon were host entertaining at a family dinner Christmas complimentary to Mrs. Amy Lashley, in honor of her 70th birthday.

One of the most charming affairs of the past week was the reception given December 30th by the Art and Culture club at the residence of Mrs. J. D. Anthony. The dining and living rooms were made attractive in the artistic hanging of holiday decorations.

Bessie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jewell, is ill with the measles.

Mrs. C. F. Williams went to the Twin Cities to visit during the holidays.

The Ladies' Aid society of Mt. Zion Baptist church held open house at the church parlors January 1 from 8 to 11 o'clock. During the evening a splendid program was rendered, after which a delightful repast was served.

Mrs. Maxsey and Mrs. J. D. Anthony were hostesses to their friends at a taxicab party last Thursday.

BURLINGTON, IOWA.

The Women's Mite Missionary society of St. John's A. M. E. church held a very pleasant session at the parsonage last Monday afternoon.

The oyster supper given by the choir on Thursday night was a success, both socially and financially.

Mr. Lewis Henderson of Hannibal, Mo., was in the city during the holidays, the guest of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Squire Henderson.

Mr. St. Clair Abel was called home a few days before Christmas on account of the illness of his wife.

Mrs. Peter King served a family dinner on New Year's day. Covers were laid for ten.

Mr. Albert Boyd left Sunday for Memphis, Tenn., where he will be employed in a new hotel that recently opened.

Mrs. Peter King is confined to her home with a severe attack of neuralgia.

Mrs. B. F. Wheeler entertained during the holidays in honor of Mrs. J. E. Caldwell of Keokuk.

Mrs. Rena Tolar of 621 S. Main street, who has been very ill for several weeks, is able to be out again.

Miss Helen Mackey left Wednesday night for Carbondale, Ill., where she will attend school the rest of the season.

Mr. Thomas Walls, who was a patient at the Burlington hospital, has returned to his home and is improving nicely.

During the holidays Mrs. Sarah Livingston of Frankford, Mo., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Emma Earley, whom she had not seen for sixteen years. With her were her daughter, Miss Nellie Livingston, and her little nephew, Master Carroll McQuay.

Mrs. L. M. Abel entertained a few friends at a matinee of the St. Louis Symphony orchestra on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Susan Moore has returned from a holiday visit with her sister in Louisiana, Mo.

YOUNGER BROTHERS
The January Clearings which are now in progress throughout the store bring remarkable saving opportunities
Watch our daily newspaper announcements

<

POTATO PRODUCTION

Methods Should Be Devised for Using Surplus Crop.

Valuable Lessons May Be Learned From Germany, Where Potatoes Are Used for Stock Food, and Kept From Season to Season.

Washington.—The necessity from time to time of protecting the American potato industry against the introduction of diseases from foreign countries by quarantine regulations places upon the nation the responsibility of producing its own supply. This means that the country must continually produce more potatoes than it needs for home consumption. The profitable utilization of the surplus so produced is of vital importance to the success of the industry, as is pointed out in department of agriculture bulletin No. 47, just issued. This bulletin calls the attention of American growers to the fact that they may obtain valuable lessons from Germany, whose potato acreage is more than double that of this country, and the crop harvested more than four times our total.

The great problem in this country is how a surplus of potatoes might best be disposed of once the production has been increased, and if we look to Germany for our lesson, we find that their surplus potato crop is used as stock food, for making starch, for the manufacture of alcohol, and for drying. In Germany the potato-drying industry is the last development in the utilization of surplus potatoes in factories. This industry should particularly merit the consideration of our people. Dried potatoes have been fed with complete success, as a substitute for corn, not only to cattle but to horses as well.

To make potato drying a profitable industry in this country, one of the problems to be met would be the expense of picking up and delivering to the factory of culls and other potatoes not marketable for table purposes. This is because of the present cost of labor. In many cases, however, labor already is necessary and is used to remove these culls from the field to prevent the spread of potato diseases.

In Germany the industry has proved such a satisfactory solution for taking care of the entire surplus crop that German farmers now seek to plant a maximum acreage without fear that their various markets will be over-supplied.

The feeding of potatoes to swine makes one of the important uses in Germany, and nearly 40 per cent. of the entire production is now used in that way. It is quite probable that eventually the United States will find a similar use for the American surplus crop. It should be mentioned, however, that the potato is merely one component of a carefully planned ration with the German farmers. The potatoes are cooked and mixed with various farm by-products, such as skim milk, barley waste, linseed meal, peanut meal, etc. The quantity of potatoes recommended to be fed daily to each hog does not exceed ten pounds. It is estimated that potatoes have a value of 25 cents per bushel for direct feeding. The difficulty in American potato districts is that the agriculture is not yet sufficiently diversified; the swine are not there to be fed. This will, however, be overcome as time passes and farm practices become better organized; then very large quantities of potatoes could be so utilized.

We are producing today an average of 20,000,000 pounds of potato starch annually, and have made large importations from Germany besides. This potato starch is preferred in this country to corn starch for sizing in cotton mills. Economic improvements in the introducing of new factory methods and increasing the quantity of potatoes used should make this industry a more satisfactory one. At present the margin of profit is not large. Even with a protective tariff of one cent per pound, factories are able to run only six weeks in the year, which makes the interest and other overhead charges high. The manufacturer is now confined to the utilization of culls and of potatoes partially infected with the tuber-rot. There is a possibility that a method may be worked out for the drying of culls and surplus potatoes on the farm before used for starch making.

The manufacture of alcohol from potatoes has not yet become established in the United States, as the price of potatoes marketable for other purposes has been too high. However, this method might help take care of a surplus crop, if such a surplus were produced in this country.

Study Forest Insect Life.

The enormous losses due to forest insects have led to the formation of a society for the advancement of forest entomology in America. The members of this society hold that the work of insects has not received the attention which it deserves.

Henry S. Graves, U. S. forester, the newly-elected president of the society, on being asked about the purposes of the organization, said that they were, in general, to call attention to the part which insects play in forest problems. "We have had," he said, "widespread and specific interest in insect pests such as the San Jose scale and the boll weevil, which affect all of us as to what we eat and what we wear. Forest insects, through their destruction of timber, increase the cost of a ne-

cessity which enters quite as much into the daily life of the individual as do the products of the field and orchard. If the importance of the protection of our forest resources from insect depredations is generally recognized, a large part can be prevented or avoided.

"Right now in the national forests the bureau of entomology and the forest service are co-operating to stop insect ravages by discovering their beginnings and stamping them out. A few isolated trees attacked by insects may form the nucleus of a mountain-side devastation quite as serious as that from a forest fire. The opportunity for combating insects, however, is in one respect better than that in the case of a fire, which runs rapidly, because it takes several years for an insect devastation to spread until it becomes of such proportions as to call for such a large-scale operation. Watchful care on the part of forest officers, lumbermen and private individuals will make it possible to catch these infestations before they get a good start. By cutting and burning the trees, or stripping off the bark, the insects can be killed. As in all such cases, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

"Who make up the membership of the organization?" was asked of Mr. Graves. "It is open to anyone interested in the subject," Mr. Graves replied. "It seems to me that the relation of forest insects to forest protection touches almost every one. Of course we expect that new members shall be recommended by the present membership, which is made up largely of persons who have studied the forest insect problem at first hand. In order, however, that the objects of the society shall be kept foremost, it is required that at least four of the seven officers must be chosen from among professional forest entomologists."

Pieces of Burnt Money

An echo of the disaster that nearly wiped Galveston, Tex., off the map, nearly 15 years ago, reached the treasury department the other day in a request for the redemption of fragments of a \$10 and a \$5 bill, representing all that remain of the \$1,000 consumed by the flames.

The letter accompanying these charred fragments stated that they were found by a small brother of the correspondent the day of the fire. The letter does not say that the money was originally the property of the correspondent or of the correspondent's family, and the question of proprietorship will be involved if the charred fragments are redeemable.

The fragments have undoubtedly been kept as souvenirs of the plain fire. They are each mounted on green cards, on which are written the statement that they were found in the fire of April 3, 1899, the same day, and that they are all that remains of \$1,000 so lost in the flames.

There are no serial numbers for purposes of identifying the bills, nor is there three-fifths of either of them left. Both are just a small portion of corners of the original bills. Fragments of three-fifths size could have been redeemed under the law at half their value. Evidence is required with smaller fragments.

Fragments of less than three-fifths can be redeemed at their face value when accompanied by affidavits of the owner or other person having knowledge of the facts that the missing portions have been destroyed. The secretary of the treasury has discretion in such matters to protect the government against fraud. Fragments not redeemed are returned.

But McAdoo Was Too Busy

"Are you McAdoo?" asked a militant appearing woman of Byron Newton in the office of the secretary of the treasury. "No, but I'm Mr. McAdoo's secretary. What can I do for you?"

"Nothing. I want to see Mr. McAdoo."

"Mr. McAdoo is busy. Won't you tell me what you wish?"

"Yes, I'll tell you—but I want to see McAdoo. I want a job as a guide."

"I am sorry, but I am afraid you cannot see Mr. McAdoo. Besides no woman guides are employed in the treasury."

"Well, it's time they were," retorted the woman. "I am a suffragette and we suffragettes are gaining ground every day. We demand recognition. I want to see McAdoo."

MRS. LA FOLLETTE LAUDS AWAKENED WOMAN

"The conventional woman of today needs more freedom; the emancipated woman more poise."



Thus epigrammatically spoke Mrs. Robert La Follette, wife of the senator from Wisconsin, in discussing her views of present-day affairs and conditions. She spoke alertly and enthusiastically of widely varied subjects in which she is interested, and she expressed the salient point upmost in her mind, regarding various phases of modern thought, with the effectiveness of the person who knows what she thinks about what she knows.

A vivacity born of physical and mental animation marked her every word. And then, after moments of earnest absorption in her subject, a ringing laugh that fairly shook her tiny frame would suddenly break forth to remind one of the presence of a mischievous love of fun lurking in the background of her nature. She has the youthful attitude which means liberality and desire for relaxation from petty constraint.

"We must get away from these old conventions," she said, "that govern and restrain our lives. So many of them now are dead that we find ourselves sometimes tacitly following laws for which the object has long since passed away. The fuller and freer life is the one to work for. Adjustment to

conditions that will ever be ameliorated by the broadening scope of increasing knowledge is our endeavor. I cannot put up with the 'standpatness' in the general attitude any more than my husband can in politics. So I am an advocate of investigation of all the new methods to release humanity from the shackles of old ideas.

"The new awakening among women will be one of the strongest factors to bring about this condition. They will begin to be interested in the great democratic government under which we live. They ought to have been interested all along, since it affected them as much years ago as today. But now a wholesome interest is coming to bring about intelligent discussion in the home and provide a basis for fuller companionship between man and wife.

"Why, this old idea that woman should remain in the home has not its foundation that existed for it in our grandmothers' day. Think of the great manufacturers of today are taking from our minds and hands. Women do not have to spend time making candles or soap. These things and countless others are already done for them, and their attention should be directed to more enlightening pursuits.

"But we still cling to these old ideas, even in regard to housekeeping. Why cannot we see immediately the effectiveness of co-operative buying? I do not go so far as to say co-operative housekeeping. No, we continue to think that a good housewife should go to market and finger over everything before she buys it; whereas if we would but spend a little time working out a practical plan for buying directly from the producer much of our expense and trouble would be eliminated and what is more important, time for more interesting things saved."

THE REAL BECKY THATCHER OF MARK TWAIN'S

For years the English reading world has regarded Mark Twain's noted heroine Becky Thatcher, who was Tom Sawyer's sweetheart, as a fragile, gentle little piece of Dresden china, ready to break at the slightest touch.



When lost in the big cave with Tom Becky was terribly frightened. "Tom, Tom!" she cried. "We're lost! We're lost! We can never get out of this awful place! Oh, why did we ever leave the others!"

"She sank to the ground," the story says, "and burst into such a frenzy of crying that Tom was appalled with the idea that she might die, or lose her reason. He sat down by her and put his arms around her. She buried her face in his bosom, she clung to him, she poured out her terrors, her unavailing regrets, and the far echoes turned them all to jeering laughter. Tom begged her to pluck up hope again, and she said she could not."

So it was all the way through the book, so popular with young America

—Tom, the brave, manly, young fellow, as he should have been; Becky, the timid, frightened little slip of a girl, as she was not.

Becky Thatcher, it is explained by every authority at Hannibal, Mo., where they know all about Mark Twain and where they recently celebrated his birthday, was sketched from a pretty girl, who became the wife of Doctor Frazer, and who is now his widow. She is yet living in Hannibal, where she is known as Mrs. Laura Frazer, a kind-hearted woman.

But the model for Becky Thatcher was anything but a weak, clinging heroine. She had the courage of a soldier. The trial came to her during the Civil war, and she stood the test. Her courage and diplomacy undoubtedly saved the life of her husband. Shortly before his death Mark Twain sent his photograph to Mrs. Frazer, and wrote upon it his inscription of tender recollection: "To Laura Frazer, from her earliest sweetheart."

It should first be explained that 1862 was a terrible year in Missouri. Bushwhackers, guerrillas and some militia almost as bad terrorized the state from river to river. The officers in the service of the federal government sought by rigorous methods to put down outlawry and depredations, and some of them went so far that they brought upon their own heads greater censure than fell to the restless partisans.

"At the same time I managed to acquire and retain a bigoted attitude of mind regarding the 'inferior Democrats' that was quite unwholesome. It was also brought up in the Episcopal church and became staunch in my adherence to its precepts. I, therefore, found myself as a young lady with two firmly established predilections.

"Then I met Mr. Martine. He was a Democrat and a Presbyterian; a Democrat who knew why he was one.

"After a while we were to be married. But how could we ever agree when our opinions were so radically different! I was puzzled. I decided that we would each have to make a concession to the other, so I said to him, 'If you'll be an Episcopalian, I'll be a Democrat.' That settled it. Each of us altered one of our views, but clung to the other; saved our self-respect and indulged in a little pleasurable capitulation, which was extremely satisfying."

ADAPTABLE PERSONALITY OF MRS. MARTINE

An adaptable personality is one of the most desirable assets an individual can possess. Essential to a man who aspires to public life, it is also desirable for the wife.



Such a woman—and she considers it more of a compliment to be called a woman than a lady—is Mrs. James Edgar Martine, wife of the senator from New Jersey. The situation which tested her powers of adaptability and served as an acknowledgment of her mettle presented itself just prior to her marriage. Hear her tell of it, and mark the valvete with which she handled a molehill of contention that might easily have been magnified into a mountain of dispute.

"I was taught," she said, "and long, before I had the power of understanding any such weighty subject, that the only profitable political opin-

ion worth possessing was the Republican one. If the Republicans happened to be out of power, I was told not to be faint-hearted or vacillating, but to believe that it was only the crude quantity of the Democrats temporarily triumphant over the fine quality of the Republicans.

"At the same time I managed to acquire and retain a bigoted attitude of mind regarding the 'inferior Democrats' that was quite unwholesome. It was also brought up in the Episcopal church and became staunch in my adherence to its precepts. I, therefore, found myself as a young lady with two firmly established predilections.

"Then I met Mr. Martine. He was a Democrat and a Presbyterian; a Democrat who knew why he was one.

"After a while we were to be married. But how could we ever agree when our opinions were so radically different! I was puzzled. I decided that we would each have to make a concession to the other, so I said to him, 'If you'll be an Episcopalian, I'll be a Democrat.' That settled it. Each of us altered one of our views, but clung to the other; saved our self-respect and indulged in a little pleasurable capitulation, which was extremely satisfying."

MISTRESS OF ROBES FROM OPPOSITION RANK

The present liberal government of England has been compelled to confer the appointment of mistress of the robes to the queen, in former years considered highly political, on a political opponent.



By precedent this post must go to a duchess, but as there are no liberal duchesses or duchesses, it has of necessity for years fallen to those of the other political faith.

the present mistress of the robes, although coming from an old liberal family, which left the party over Gladstone's home rule policy and nearly came back to it when the unionists adopted Joseph Chamberlain's policy of tariff reform, is one of the stalwarts of the present opposition. However, the liberals have nothing to fear.

In the old days, when queens really ruled, and even in the early days of Victoria's reign, the mistress of the robes was an important personage, and it was considered necessary that she should be of the same political party as the government of the day, so that she might bring the right kind of influence to bear on the sovereign. Now, however, her chief duty is to stand beside the queen at state functions and control the maids of honor.

by saying, 'I must regret that being grossly insulted, and forgetting in the heat of the moment the critical position of the Church of England, I did knock the man down.' The bishop—It was Fraser of Manchester—retaliated by asking the curate to dinner.

Paradoxical Ambition. "Why does Miss Daisy get such expensive bathing suits when she never goes in the water?" "She gets them because she has to be in the swim."

MAKE HOUSEHOLD WORK EASY

Main Thing is to Have the Articles Most Required Always Convenient for Use.

Sometimes it is the very little things, the things that appear most insignificant, that count for most in the making of household duties easy. To have things handy, right where they are within easy reach, is one of the things that should be the aim of every woman who must use certain utensils at every meal time.

A clever woman has devised a plan by which she avoids drying the plates. Over the sink rack, high enough so it will not interfere with anyone, has been built a plate cage, just a skeleton affair of chestnut, that has been staked to match the woodwork in the kitchen. The plates are slipped in between bars that permit them to stand upright, and as soon as they are washed and rinsed, they are placed in the cage where they drain and dry. This shortens the time of "doing" the dishes considerably. She tells me that other "cages" are to be made for other pieces of china that will help in the dish-washing problem.

If you have a rack in which the knives, forks, and spoons that are in

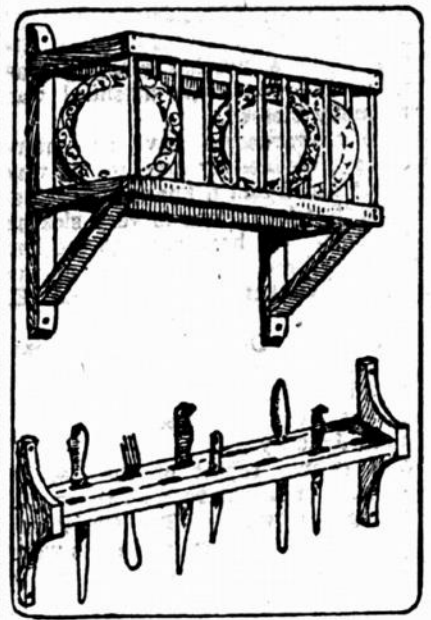


Plate Cage and Knife Rack.

daily use can be slipped, and placed over the kitchen table, you will wonder how you ever could get along when they were stowed away in the dresser drawer. Three strips of one-half inch chestnut lumber, have square holes cut in them at intervals, and then they are glued together so that the holes will be opposite. These are screwed to shaped ends that in turn are fastened to the wall, and the knives, etc., are slipped in their place as soon as they come from the dish pan. One one-half inch chestnut or oak board with auger holes bored into it will do as well.

MAKE THE KITCHEN PRETTY

No Reason Why Most-Used Room in House Should Be Allowed to Look Neglected.

A woman who believes that a kitchen should be a pretty room wonders why most people do not hold the same opinion.

Of original tastes, she has devised this scheme of color and decoration for her kitchen. The walls she has had painted a bright sunny yellow, the woodwork and chairs a deep Prussian blue, the color of the pattern in her kitchen crockery and the cornflower pattern of her white tiled stove, which has a shining metal top.

"We are slaves to the view that a stove must be black and ugly," she says. "I got rid of this view in a visit to Holland, where I bought my pretty stove."

"The windows of her kitchen are hung with such curtains made of glass twining barred in blue. At the center of their sills a little square bracket shelf has been attached, upon which stands a gay geranium.

Apples for Luncheon. Put a tumbler of water on three-fourths of a tumbler of sugar in porcelain dish with the strained juice of one lemon. Boil gently 20 minutes. While this is cooking take six medium-sized sour apples, wipe, leave stems on and put into boiling syrup. Cook until you can pierce them with a straw, then lift carefully into a pretty dish or individual dishes, pour the syrup over them and set away to cool. Serve with a tablespoon of whipped cream on top.

Preventing Mildew. Housekeepers are often greatly troubled by mildew caused by damp cupboards. By putting an earthen bowl or deep plate, full of quicklime, into the cupboard, the dampness will be absorbed, while the lime will also sweeten and disinfect the atmosphere. Another advantage of the lime is that rats, mice, and many bugs that are apt to congregate in damp places have a dislike to lime. Renew the lime as often as it becomes slaked.

Goose Stuffing. Four cups hot mashed potatoes, two teaspoons onion juice, half teaspoon pepper, two teaspoons salt, two tablespoons butter, yolks of two eggs, quarter cup cream, one tablespoon of parsley. Mix the onion juice, pepper, salt and butter with the potato; and the cream to the beaten yolks and mix them with the potato; add chopped parsley last.—Woman's World.

Keeping a Section of Cheese. If the cheese is a good one, and free from mites or weevil, to keep it, butter well the cut surfaces, cover with wax paper, and keep dark, dry and cool, in a covered crock. Strong smelling fancy cheese should be well wrapped in tinfoil, then in wax paper, and laid inside a crock kept in a cool place.

To Set Colors. To set colors in laundering, pink, green, aniline reds, lavender, purple, should be set in water containing dissolved alum, two ounces to a tub. Dark blue, gray and black may be set by soaking them in salt water.

HER LITTLE FREDDY WOKE THEM ALL UP

Mother's Perfectly Proper Indignation at Awful Way the Darling Was Treated.

The woman in the heliotrope gown sighed. "They certainly have queer teachers in the schools nowadays," she confided to the woman in grape color. "Your Evangeline is in the same class with my Frederick, isn't she? Well, what do you think of that Miss Etterick they have to teach them?"

"I don't know," confessed the woman in grape color. "I've been so busy getting the house cleaned and doing the other fall work that I haven't had time to visit the school."

"Then you'd better!" solemnly declared the woman in heliotrope. "My dear, some one ought to do something! Why, when I think of Frederick in that Miss Etterick's charge all year, and with his sensitive nature, I am terribly upset! Do you know what that woman did? Wrote me a note saying that Frederick was not doing well in his arithmetic. She said he evidently needed to put more work on it!"

"Well, after the receipt of that note I went to the school just as fast as I could!"

"Miss Etterick, I said to her, 'I don't suppose you realize that when you criticize Frederick you are crushing all the life and spirit out of him. He is not like other boys, I said. 'He needs encouragement and help and interest, and I am sure he works very hard!'"

"She sort of sighed and looked at me in a cold way. You could see she was not trying in the least to make herself agreeable. 'Help! Interest!' she repeated the words.

"And then she declared that he devoted twice as much time to Frederick as to any other boy in the class and that she was perfectly discouraged at his lack of interest. She said he knew nothing at all that day about the lesson."

"I explained to her that Frederick had had no time to study at home the previous evening because I had taken him to a children's party—and she had the effrontery to say that children shouldn't go to parties on school nights! That was too ridiculous for the party was at the Bertons. I told her so—and she said stolidly: 'What of it?' The Bertons! Why, I know women who'd give their eye teeth to get their children noticed by the Bertons! Of course your Evangeline wasn't asked because you've only lived here two years, and Mrs. Berton is so particular with whom her children associate. She selects only the very best. Of course, if she really knew Evangeline I am sure—"

"Oh, I think we can live without the Bertons!" declared the woman in grape color, frostily.

"I'm sorry you take it so hard," said the woman in heliotrope. "But we were speaking about Miss Etterick. I told her that Frederick was nervous and sensitive and that I was not going to have him ruin his constitution studying and become a nervous wreck. I pointed out to her that what she was being paid for was to get children through her grade without bothering the parents, who have many cares and responsibilities."

"If you were a capable teacher, Miss Etterick," I said, "instead of complaining about poor little Frederick and making his life miserable with your nagging you would know what to do to push him ahead! I am sure that's what a teacher ought to do."

"Really, my dear, I thought for a minute that awful woman was going to be insufferably insolent. She said something about it not being her duty to furnish brains for her pupils, but I ignored it. She is utterly impossible. 'I shall expect,' I told her, firmly, 'good reports from Frederick from now on!'"

"I am sure," she said, 'I hope you'll get them! But if you want good reports from him you must make him study!'"

"Miss Etterick," I replied, 'I am endeavoring to bring up my son in a way that will encourage him to do things without being made! I would not insult his intelligence by ordering him to do anything!'"

"With your heartless ideas about children," I told her, 'I wonder how you manage to hold your position. If Frederick fails to pass to the next grade at the end of the year I shall know the reason! It will be because he was worked to death by you and his nerves shattered!'"

"Then I walked away and left her speechless. I think it was a shock to her to see her real self so accurately described. My dear, I advise you to go and see what that woman is doing to Evangeline before it is too late! The idea of her trying to make my Frederick study against his will when Frederick is so sensitive!"—Chicago Daily News.

Dubb's Alarm Clock Did Its Duty Almost Too Well.

Many Experiences With the Finnish Disturber of Slumber, But the Last One Acted Like the Proverbial Straw.

"When I saw that I was sleeping later each morning," said Dubb to the man who was hanging to the neighboring strap in the street car, "I decided to get an alarm clock."

"I got one and placed it on my bureau, all wound up and ready to perform its morning stunt. Well, it woke up everybody in the house except me. Boarders who were never on time for anything showed up for breakfast that morning. That made it bad for us early fellows, who are supposed to get the choice bits of everything on the table as our reward for being there early."

"The next night I put the alarm clock on the floor under my bed, instead of on my bureau, thinking it might make less noise there. But it frightened the people downstairs worse than ever. One of the children had hysterics and the grown people explained that they thought it was an infernal machine."

"Then I started to figure out some way of fixing things so that the alarm clock would wake only me. 'At last I hit upon the idea of putting it under my pillow. But it rolled out from under the pillow every night and stuck its feet into my back and felt as comfortable as a load. I stood it for some time, however, until I chanced to hit upon still another scheme. I could hardly wait for night to come to put my latest idea into effect."

"I procured a big, thick woolly double blanket and rolled the clock up inside of that and put it under my bed. I smothered it so well that I believed I could safely leave my door ajar to admit a little more air without any damage being done to my neighbors."

"The next morning I was awakened by something like an earthquake. The thing hit the bottom of my bed with a sickening thud and there was a spluttering like fifty-seven demons. Then the thing darted from the room and flew down the stairs and the thumping against my bed springs subsided. Also the alarm clock rolled out of the blanket."

"The hall filled with people, gathered to see what had taken place. 'I bet it's Dubb's alarm clock,' shouted one fellow, whose weird attire would not permit him to join the investigating committee in person. 'Throw that alarm clock out of the window!'"

"It was quite a convention there at my door around the blanket and the alarm clock, and they couldn't see to save their lives how such results were obtainable with that material. The clock was turned over and over skeptically and the blanket was subjected to close inspection by the assembly."

"'Look here!' said one of the investigators finally. 'Here's a bunch of cat fur on this blanket!'"

"Then I knew what had happened. The family cat had taken advantage of the soft, warm blanket and made her bed in it. When the alarm clock went off it scared her into fits."

History Told by Films. One of the good uses for moving picture films is for recording historic events. Not long ago the king of Roumania organized the production of a film of no less than 3,000 yards length, this being a reproduction of the Roumanian-Russo-Turkish war which determined the independence of that country. The film will be kept in the archives of the realm. It is to be carried to this out the army had 8,000 men in uniform with arms and baggage, led by the officers. Another case is that of the Italian government, which is collecting all the films taken during the war in Tripoli. In England the same thing is done for the films of the king's coronation events.

Toadstool Lifts 200 Pounds. Some years ago a portion of the pavement in Goswell road, London, was lifted out of its place in a mysterious manner. London Times writes. Before it could be repaired numerous toadstools made their appearance in the gaping spaces between the stones. When the stones were removed it was found that they rested on an immense spongy mass of toadstool growth, which had gone on increasing until it made a way through which it could push its head into the air. One of the stones moved by it measured four feet by two feet and weighed 200 pounds.

Jefferson's Religion. Thomas Jefferson was a Unitarian in his religious belief. His "Letter to Peter Carr" shows that he believed in none of the historic church creeds and felt no intellectual sympathy with any of the so-called "orthodox" statements of the great problem of life and destiny. He believed in little beyond what may be called the "human duties," that hold between man and man independently of theology.

"The Greatest Battle." If in the numbers engaged, the Chalmers, where Aetius met the Huns; if destruction, that of Cannae, where Hannibal fell 70,000 out of the 80,000 Romans; if brilliancy of tactics and fighting, then Chancellorsville, where Lee put Hooker out of business.—Chicago American.

Disatisfied. "Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "the cook says she is going to leave."

"What for?" "She says the Welsh rabbits we make in the chafing dish give her indigestion."

Their Place. "The police cannot deny that in some of their departments there are very ugly features." "Where are they principally?" "In the rogues' gallery."

Crete's Long Siege.

Crete endured the longest siege on record, beside which Troy's ten years seem but a skirmish. In 1648 the Turks, attempting to conquer the island, laid siege to the capital city of Candia, which, however, did not surrender until September, 1669, after 21 years. Again in 1821, when the Cretans revolted, the defeated Turks were able to hold the fortified cities against all attacks, and many of them were still unaptured when the powers intervened nine years later.

Cerberus.

In Greek fable Cerberus was the three-headed dog that watches outside the entrance to hades. Some writers assert that he had 50 heads, but generally he is said to have three, and three snakes are twined about his neck. His cave was on the farther side of the dark River Styx, where Charon, the ferryman of the dead, landed the shades. Cerberus is supposed to welcome all entering hades, but to seize all those seeking to escape.

Muscular Christianity.

Muscular Christianity found an exponent in the curate of a northern diocese of whom Mr. James Bryce tells in his "Studies in Contemporary Biography." He "had once, under the greatest provocation, knocked down a person who had insulted him, and the bishop wrote him a letter of reproof, pointing out (among other things, that, exposed as the Church of England was to much criticism on all hands, her ministers ought to be very careful in their demeanor. The offender replied

AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

New York has a society whose purpose is to fight against the development of a negro "ghetto" in the American cities. It is the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes, whose membership includes many persons socially prominent in New York, together with a company of serious-minded colored people. The headquarters are at No. 110 West Fortieth street.

Mrs. William H. Baldwin, Jr., was recently elected chairman of the executive board. Other members of the league are: Mrs. Haley Fluke, George McAneny, Silas McBeo, William H. Maxwell, William Jay Schiefel, Isaac N. Seligman, George W. Seligman, Charles D. Hites, the Rev. William Adams Brown, Paul J. Sachs, Theodore M. Taft, Albert Shaw, Judge Joseph F. Mulqueen and Major R. R. Moton.

The league has affiliated organizations in Philadelphia, Chicago, Louisville, St. Louis, Richmond and Norfolk, Va.; Augusta, Ga., and Wilmington, Del. Its biggest work, however, is in New York, where the negro population is now more than 90,000, being more than in any other city in America, except Washington.

"Our work here includes many branches of activity," said Eugene K. Jones, associate director in charge of the local work. "We have a committee for improving industrial conditions, which seeks to organize workers in the various occupations, and by this means help our people to better things. For instance, we have organized one group into the Colored Public Porters' association, for the purpose of guarding the public against unscrupulous porters. The organization is raising the standard of reliability and efficiency among its members. Workers in other occupations are similarly organized."

"Then we have a vocational exchange, operated in connection with the housing bureau, at No. 127 West One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, in the thickly populated negro section of Harlem. This exchange is being made a clearing house through which applicants for help and for positions may be referred to reliable philanthropic and commercial employment agencies. Positions have been secured for 197 persons."

It takes three seconds for a cable message to cross the ocean.

Of the material success of certain colored men in the south, the Crisis contains this:

Ocala, Fla., has 3,000 colored inhabitants, and there are 12,000 others in the surrounding county. This has offered a chance for industry co-operation. There is a thriving sea island cotton factory, considerable exporting of moss and velvet beans, while colored men have numerous stores and are supporting professional men. Recently the Metropolitan Realty and Investment company has been organized and has erected a \$20,000 building. In this a bank with a capital of \$25,000 has been located. The president of the company, George Giles, is a large holder of real estate. The vice-president, Joseph L. Wiley, is the founder of Fessenden academy, and the cashier, F. P. Gadsden, is the owner of the largest dry goods and notion store owned by a colored man in the United States. Other directors are Dr. Williams, a well-to-do physician; A. S. Richardson, D. W. Goodwin, Charles Stewart, J. S. LaRoche, N. T. Brown and S. H. Hadley."

By a deal which was closed last week and in which a consideration of \$30,000 was involved, a tract of land near Thornton, Ill., to be used for the purpose of a negro cemetery, and to be known by the name of Mount Forest cemetery, was acquired, reports a Chicago correspondent.

In a communication to the Kansas City Star a correspondent, "Lacey," writes as follows: "Africa is not the place for the American negro. As yet we have not heard enough to warrant our going there. I don't think the negroes of the United States should sacrifice our fifty years of success here to start all over in a barren, half-civilized country. Here we have our own churches, schools and colleges. Now comes Chief Sam and asks us to break these up, leave all we have worked for and go back. If Africa is as rich as Chief Sam suggests it will not want for others who will seize its riches."

It is said that descent can be traced from only 49 passengers that came over in the Mayflower, the rest having died without issue.

When George Schwartz, a farmer in Scranton, Pa., cut down an oak tree he found imbedded in its heart a pine tree shilling dated 1652.

As a universal danger signal, a Denver firm has designed and copyrighted signs bearing a human hand, across the palm of which appear the words "Safety First."

In London a motor bus proprietor has to comply with between 50 and 60 conditions before he can obtain a license.

A New Orleans expert figures that by becoming a suffragist a woman decreases her chances of marrying 50 per cent.

If the front parlor is clean a girl is apt to think the whole house is all right.

A married man always says he is glad of it—but he seldom attempts to prove it.

Don't expect the world to laugh with you if you are laughing at the world.

Writing in the Baltimore American, the Rev. J. U. King, pastor of the Union Methodist Episcopal church at St. Michaels, Md., has this to say: "To be successful in the development of the soil we must have scientific training; thus well-equipped agricultural colleges for the negro are indispensable. The day of the ignorant and superstitious farmer has passed. Superstition is being replaced by science, ignorance by knowledge, inefficiency by efficiency."

"If the white man, who is nearing the top of the hill of our great material endeavor, needs the advantages of a well-equipped agricultural college, how much greater are the needs of those who only yesterday, like goods and chattels, served as a medium of commercial exchange; who stand at the very foot of the hill struggling to ascend? This efficiency will not only be of benefit to all of those whose racial identity I bear, but more far reaching than the average person would imagine will be the benefits derived by the white people as well. Observation alone has evidently taught every thoughtful white man that the increase of mental, moral and material efficiency on the part of the negro means the decrease of ignorance, idleness and crime. We live side by side with our white neighbor, and be our contribution to this great social fabric helpful or baneful he is affected accordingly and commensurately."

"Is it not, therefore, the highest wisdom on the part of every constituent part of a community to welcome cordially every means that will permanently establish the criterion: All men up, and not some men down?"

More has been accomplished with a good set of nerves than by the fellows who get it by their nerve.

Organization of an Omaha branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is now being completed. Over 25 people, most of them colored, have joined the local movement, which has for its purpose the economic, political and social advancement of the American negro. John H. Grove of the Grove-Wharton allied business interests, was one of the white men who helped the association to establish a branch in Omaha, and he has been elected treasurer. The other officers, all colored, are: Rev. William T. Osborne, pastor of St. John's African Methodist church, president; Thomas Reese, 2723 Miami street, vice-president; Samuel L. Patton, 2420 Patrick avenue, recording secretary; Jesse Merchant, 712 North Twenty-eighth avenue, corresponding secretary. Meetings have been held monthly at St. John's African Methodist church since the organization began here three months ago. Dr. C. M. B. Mason of New York, national organizer for the association, helped to promote the new branch in Omaha. Rev. John Albert Williams, rector of the colored church of St. Philip the Deacon, is also an active member, and says that membership is open to all persons, either white or colored, who wish to participate in the national move for the advancement of the black man. Hereafter meetings will be held every two weeks, and an executive committee will be chosen to assume active charge of the association's work in Omaha.

It shone would be a fine thing if this rest cure business was for them as really does them.

An interesting story of how prejudice against a race can be removed by learning to like one of its members comes from the Provident hospital, in Chicago's "Black Belt." It began as a negro enterprise and has graduated 118 negro nurses. A white boy was recently hurried to the hospital terribly ill with pneumonia. His mother, a southern woman, telegraphed from the east, urging his removal to some other hospital. It was too late for that. The doctors gave him up. But the negro nurse did not. For thirty-six hours with no moment's rest she fought for his life, and won. The boy's mother is no longer prejudiced against negro trained nurses.

Fuel oil consumption this year by the United States navy is estimated at 30,000,000 gallons.

More than 10,000 boys under sixteen years of age were injured in mines in Great Britain last year in such a way as to disable them for more than a week. There are about a million coal mine workers altogether, one worker in every seven being killed or injured last year.

Carlisbad by law requires all buildings to be as nearly fireproof as possible, with the result that the city's firemen earn most of their wages as chimney sweeps.

A Norwegian company has patented a secret process for producing 98 per cent. nitric acid from the 30 per cent. acid it has been making from atmospheric nitrogen.

Isn't it funny that they hens lay their most at a time when eggs is so cheap?

If men had the gift of second sight, there would be fewer cases of love at first.

Encourage kindness—even if you have to practice on yourself.

When poverty comes in at the window it is getaway day for love.

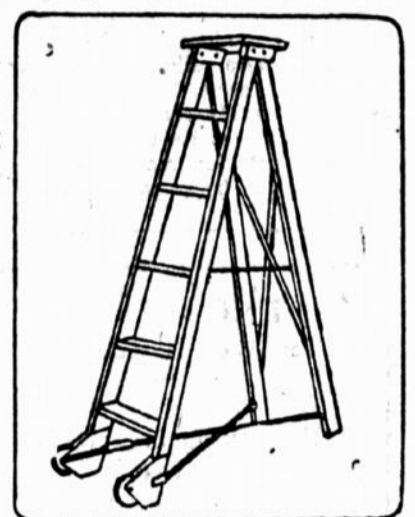
People who drift with the tide make a poor landing.

One idea of a free thinker is a man who isn't married.

STEPLADDER WITH WHEELS

Handy for Hanging Pictures, Adjusting High Electric Bulbs and in Many Other Ways.

A handy attachment has been devised by an Ohio man. With it a stepladder need not be folded up every time it is to be moved and then laboriously opened and clamped into position again. Metal sockets fit over the lower ends of the front standards and have extensions in which little wheels are mounted. The cross braces are pivoted together in the middle and their front ends are pivoted to the wheel spindles, while their rear ends hook into the rear standards. When all four standards of the ladder are on the floor it is as firm as anyone would want, but by raising the rear legs a trifle the whole structure can be trundled about on the wheels and moved from one room to another with no trouble at all and without affecting its stability.



Easy to Move About.

oto to the wheel spindles, while their rear ends hook into the rear standards. When all four standards of the ladder are on the floor it is as firm as anyone would want, but by raising the rear legs a trifle the whole structure can be trundled about on the wheels and moved from one room to another with no trouble at all and without affecting its stability.

SERVING STEAK "TAIL ENDS"

Part Usually Considered Good for Nothing May Be Made Into Some Delicious Dishes.

One part of food which almost invariably goes to waste is the tail end of steaks. This part of the meat is usually so tough and full of coarse fiber that no one could eat it. Now the wise cook can so disguise these tails that the eater will think it some entirely novel dish. Besides using these ends in casserole, they may be chopped in the meat chopper, moistened with onion juice, mixed in with potato, seasoned well, shaped into crones, dipped in egg and cracker crumbs and the despoiled ends of steak will come out triumphantly as most delicious croquettes. When porterhouse steak is 28 to 32 cents a pound, it is certainly worth while saving the ends, which often weigh as much as the tender meat itself.

Mixing Fruits.

When inclined to be dry or tasteless, apples are greatly improved by the addition of other fruits. Grated pineapples and quinces are both good for this purpose, but dried fruits, such as dates, figs and prunes, can also be used with excellent results. The dates should be stoned and cut into quarters before being cooked with the apples, and the figs should be shredded. Prunes must be well washed and allowed to soak in a little cold water before cooking, and, as apples require less cooking than prunes they should not be added before the latter are nearly tender. Very little sweetening, if any, is required when figs, dates and prunes are used with apples.

Rice Pudding.

Where the gas stove is used it is not always convenient to make an old-fashioned rice pudding simply of rice and milk, which must be baked for several hours and stirred frequently. A delicious rice pudding may be made quickly with cold cooked or fresh boiled rice as a foundation. To one cup of the rice cooked add a tablespoonful of sugar, the yolk of one egg, a tablespoonful of cornstarch, a pinch of salt, two cups of new milk, and vanilla flavor. Bring all to the boil while stirring, pour into a pudding dish and bake until slightly brown and nicely set.

Banana Peneche.

Two cups of light brown sugar, one cup granulated sugar, moisten with a generous half-cup milk or cream; boil until it forms a ball in cold water; remove from fire, add a tiny piece of butter and one cup diced bananas; then beat till creamy and pour on buttered pan to cool. Mark off or cut in any desired shape. To prepare bananas, strip skin from two large bananas, cut in two lengthwise once and then once more; hold firmly and slice crosswise and measure one cup of the diced banana.

Very Small Tapioca Pudding.

Heat 1 1/4 cups of milk and turn over the well-beaten mixture of 1/4 cup of sugar, pinch of salt and 1 small egg. Into this turn 1 mixing spoon of soaked (1 dessert spoon when it's dry) tapioca. Cook until tapioca is clear and soft. Serve with halved candied cherries, 1/4-inch size cubes of chocolate, or cocoa fudge, or dabs of currant jelly upon the top. Any light cake, or sugar cookies will be palatable served with tapioca cream desserts.

Grape Surprise.

One pint of grape juice, one ounce of gelatine, one cup of sugar, one lemon, malaga grapes, one-half cup powdered sugar. Grate rind of lemon and mix with powdered sugar. Dissolve sugar and gelatine in grape juice, adding juice of lemon. Set it to harden, and remove seeds and skins from enough malaga grapes to fill a cup. When jelly thickens stir in grapes and turn into a mold. Serve with cream and prepared sugar.

Salad Louisiana.

To one pint of shredded celery, finely minced, five oranges and two lemons, diced, add one pint of large strawberries or other fruit, cut in halves which have been put on ice to chill. Beat two egg yolks very light, add one teaspoonful of very fine salt, the juice of two lemons, and lastly, one cupful of strawberry juice poured over the salad just when served.



TENNIS

Extensive changes to the casino grounds where the annual lawn tennis championships annually take place are being made at Newport, R. I.

Australia will make a concerted effort in 1914 to wrest the Davis cup from America. Norman Brookes and Dunlop will, in all probability, compose the doubles team again.

A. F. Wilding beat M. Germot, a Frenchman, in the final of the Stockholm lawn tennis tournament and now the New Zealand expert is champion of the world on grass courts, hard courts and covered courts.

GOLF

Cleveland golfers now have an indoor course to practice on.

Umpire Silk O'Loughlin is an enthusiastic golf player.

The Homewood Country club of Chicago has applied for the 1914 national amateur golf championship.

The next open golf championship of France will be played over the Le Touquet course, near Boulogne, in July.

The most modest chap in golf has been found in Chicago. He is Chick Evans, who mentions the 25 leading American golfers and omits himself.

There is much discussion just now anent the idea of staging a series of matches between American home bred professionals and crack visitors just prior to the national open next season. There are plenty of backers of the home bred talent's ability to mop up.

WRESTLING

Americus refuses to believe Gotch has retired. Other wrestlers harbor similar fears.

The announcement that Youssef Mahmout is not dead, but emphatically alive on his own admission, leads to the question of what they can get out of his heroic demise as a press agent affair.

Speed, cleverness and ability to shift from one hold to another gave Gus Schoenlein of Baltimore, better known to the followers of wrestling as Americus, an easy victory over Paul Martinson, the motorman.

Gustaf Friestens, the Bohemian heavyweight wrestler; Ivan Mamutoff, who is a member of the czar of Russia's bodyguard, and Alex. Aberg, the Finland expert, who is reported not to have lost a fall in ten years, are among the wrestlers who have come to this country seeking a match with champion Frank Gotch, who again recently announced his retirement from the mat game.

FOOTBALL

Michigan wants to schedule two more eastern games next season. Dartmouth and Carleise are considered as possibilities.

Keith Jones, left tackle of the Notre Dame squad of this year, has been elected to captain the team during the 1914 campaign.

After four meetings had resulted in a tie, the Amherst football team elected Webster H. Warren of Falmouth captain for next year.

The 1914 football schedule of the Wisconsin state university will have Illinois for the first time since 1910.

William Howard Fritz, Cornell football star, recently underwent an X-ray examination and it was shown that his arm was broken in the Pennsylvania game.

The Syracuse eleven will not meet Harvard next fall, but the graduate manager of athletics is trying to arrange games with Cornell and Dartmouth.

AQUATIC

Four of the five dual meets on the swimming schedule of the University of Pennsylvania swimming team for the coming season are with teams in the intercollegiate league, closing on March 6 with the individual championships in New York.

Henry Zimmerman and Lawrence Wright of the Washington university eight-oared shell crew of Seattle have surveyed a new four-mile racing course on Lake Washington. It will correspond to the eastern intercollegiate course on the Hudson river at Poughkeepsie. The new course is straightaway.

The next international yacht regatta has been fixed for July 18 and 19 at Horten, near Christiania.

Capt. T. B. Denegre of the Yale crew has announced that Richard Armstrong, Yale '95, has been appointed head coach of the Yale crews.

Ernest Barry, at present holder of the world's professional sculling title, has offered to row James Paddon, the Australian champion, for \$2,500 a side on the Thames river, London, next September.

IEWS OF PRESIDENT TENER



Gov. John K. Tener of Pennsylvania.

Gov. John K. Tener of Pennsylvania, who was recently elected president of the National league at a salary of \$25,000 per annum, in an interview said that the game must be kept clean; that it needed no doctor, and that umpires should rule the field.

In an interview Governor Tener pointed out what he will try to do: "I will not try to assume the role of doctor," said Mr. Tener, a big, robust six-footer. "It will be my purpose to see that the game is kept sanitary and avoid the little things which might tend to bring on disease. Baseball is healthy."

"I would like to be a constructive leader. It is my ambition to build. The one great feature of the success of the American league is that President Johnson has taken a personal hand in guiding its destinies to keep it on an even keel."

BOWLING

Buffalo will hold the annual American bowling congress championships next March. Philadelphia will stage the eighth annual national tournament in Atlantic City next Easteride.

MISCELLANEOUS

Four members of the Cornell basketball team which won the intercollegiate championship last year are out for the team again. The squad also includes several of last season's squad.

Robinson, the Mercersburg academy sprinter, will not do any running this winter. He will rest up until the spring time in the hope of regaining the strength that he lost during his illness of the last summer.

HORSE RACING

Toronto will give 14 \$400 purses for its light harness ice racing meet, which opens on Christmas day.

San Francisco light harness promoters have begun the construction of the track to be used at the 1915 exposition races for big purses.

During the horse racing season just concluded in Ireland, 698 races were run, worth \$338,705, and the number of horses that ran was 1,239. The amount of stake money is the best on record for Ireland, the previous highest total having been \$317,780.

PUGILISM

Spike Kelly tapped his way to a 15-round decision over Billy Walters at St. Joseph, Mo.

Bob Diny of Germany proved easy for George Ashe of Philadelphia in the main bout at New York.

Benny Yanger, the old-time boxer, is a manager now. He is looking after the affairs of Young Crosby, a crack 116-pound boy.

Rochester is to have a boxing club that will accommodate 3,000 spectators, while Brooklyn is to have a structure that will seat 2,500.

Johnny Dundee of New York and Johnny Griffith, an Akron lightweight, fought 12 rounds to a draw at Canton, O. The bout was a savage one.

BASEBALL

Pitcher Zamloch of the Tigers will coach a college nine in California prior to his reporting to Manager Jennings.

Binghamton of the New York State league has signed Catcher Lewis, who lived in Pottsville.

Dave Fultz made the announcement that any players signing contracts with the Federals are liable to suspension from the fraternity, if members.

Jack Lovell, formerly with the Yanks, Senators and Naps, is slated for a berth with the Buffalo Federals, according to the latest rumor.

Jack Elliott, amateur baseball player of Youngstown, O., has been offered a position as umpire with the New England league next year and will so opt.

ART BUG AT PHONE

Pad and Pencil Microbe Lurks in Every Booth.

Few Persons Are Immune; Works While One Talks—What Do You Draw While Waiting for Your Number? Asks Writer.

What kind of things do you draw? Or, are you one of the numeral or word artists?

Do you make wiggles? Do you make faces (not your own, that is)? Do you produce architectural or geometric designs, or merely arabesques?

Whether you answer or not, remarks the New York World, it is a dead certainty that you do one of these things. Probably you're unconscious of the fact, but you're one of the million and more telephone booth artists who are the involuntary slaves of a masterbug which lives in every telephone booth in the city.

Just think a moment and call to mind the last time you were in a booth with a pencil and a bit of paper handy. Don't you recall that you had to wait while "central" was getting the number? What did you do in the interval?

You needn't answer; you took up the pencil and began to draw or to make curlicues or figures, perhaps to write a name. You do it every time you get into a booth. In nine cases out of ten you continue the art work during your conversation, too.

Whoever is skeptical need only go, for example, to the Hotel Knickerbocker and watch the people in the booths there. There are eight telephone compartments and each is provided with a pad and pencil placed in the booths to facilitate notepaper, but it may be that a farsighted management was aware of the "bug" and promptly supplied the means for its culture.

The matter of this "telephone bug" was referred to no less an authority upon quirk of the mind than Dr. Carlos F. MacDonald, the alienist. He recognized it at once. He even said that he himself was a victim.

"I firmly believe that nearly every one who uses a telephone," he said, "is given to scribbling or writing or drawing or figuring on a bit of paper if it be handy. I always do it myself if the conversation be at all prolonged. It's a curious mental process. Really it's a dual operation of the mind. When a man is waiting, for instance, for a telephone number his conscious mind is directed attentively to waiting for the answer at the other end. His subconscious hand disengages itself, and if the pencil and pad be there it turns to them. There is no diminution in the intensity of the conscious mind while the hand is busy tracing the figures or what not upon the paper. It is just that the mind is capable of doing two things at once and gives a demonstration of its ability."

"The things persons produce on paper at such a time may be most carefully executed, but the execution does not in any way hamper a thoroughly rational attention to the conversation or communication taking place. The drawings really make practically no impression on the mind, and I'd venture to say that not one man in a hundred could tell you after leaving the booth what he had drawn or written on the pad. It does not register on the mind, you see. The mind—that is, the subconscious mind, is focused on the conversation and is far too intent to be distracted by the other operation."

"Some persons draw, others merely scribble. I generally set down figures—1, 2, 3, 4, and then write them in reverse order. Often I go to the very edge of the paper with the string of digits. It's a mental process which rarely has anything to do with the conversation—that is, the figures or scribbles or drawings bear no pictorial relation to the subject of the talk."

"I believe, however, that these subconscious deductions bear some relation to the character of the individual, just as does handwriting. If, say, 500 examples could be collected and placed in the hands of an expert in handwriting I think he could resolve the producers into distinct classes, as it were. I think that the traits of the individual might be found to show in the drawings. They are produced with even less thought than one must give to the formation of characters in writing, because the conscious mind is busy with the talking, but it seems to me that they might show the characteristics of the makers."

The care with which some are executed is indicative of the care with which the accompanying telephone conversation was carried on, because it has been found that the more important the talk the more carefully the subconscious mind worked.

Now, the next time you go into a telephone booth just see if you don't grab the pencil and get to work.

Everglades of Florida.

The region down in Florida known as the "Everglades" is not as yet available for cultivation, although it is understood that an attempt is being made by the state to reclaim the territory. The region is 70 miles long and 60 wide, the water being from one to six feet deep, studded thickly with ridges, or islands, from one-fourth of an acre to hundreds of acres in extent. Out of the water grows a rank grass, from six to ten feet high. The vegetable deposits of the Everglades are enormous, and beyond a doubt the great swamp, when thoroughly drained, will produce amazing crops, especially of bananas and plantains and other sub-tropical fruits.

Superlatives in Advertising. Japanese advertisers believe in a lavish use of superlatives. "The paper we sell," runs the announcement in a Tokyo stationer's window, "is as solid as the hide of an elephant."

"Step inside!" is the invocation of a big multiple shop in the same city. "You will be welcomed as fondly as a ray of sunshine after a rainy day. Our assistants are as amiable as a father seeking a husband for a dowry daughter. Goods are dispatched to customers' houses with the rapidity of a shot from the cannon's mouth."

No Quarrel. "Did your meeting break up in a quarrel?" "No," replied Miss Cayenne. "We carefully avoided that. We kept in session till there weren't enough people on speaking terms to carry on a quarrel."

Landlords Too Greedy. Attempts to fix by statute the wages of agricultural laborers in England were largely responsible for the great revolt of 1381, or "Wat Tyler's rebellion." It represented the despairing effort of landowners to get back to the level of wages before the black death came to make labor dear. But the lord of the manor overrode the mark. He wanted the day wage kept down to four cents to six cents a day. Had he put six cents to eight cents in the schedule there might have been no rebellion.

BEFORE "OLD MAN"

Excuse Bluejackets Give for Breaking Rules.

Some of Them Are Novel—A Sailor Drunk on Shore Duty, Blamed Local Malaria Epidemic as the Cause of His Offense.

"Now lay aft to the mast all the reports"

When this word is passed aboard one of Uncle Sam's battleships it is time for the sailorman "on report" to think of his excuse, if he has one, for the "mast" is the daily court held aboard ship by the captain, and it is there that punishments are handed out to the offenders against the ship's rules for the previous 24 hours.

It is there that the offender is excused, passed along for a court-martial or given a minor punishment, according to the nature of his offense, the skipper's humor and his readiness with the "gift of gab." Many and varied are the pleas put up by the defense. Some of them would entitle the author to a life membership in the Ananias club, and if the captain is a good one from the bluejacket's point of view he will give you the benefit of the doubt when otherwise anything from a few hours' extra duty on the quarter deck with a rifle to a short stay in the brig on bread and water will be your portion.

At eleven o'clock every weekday morning the "reports" are all assembled at the mast. The executive officer reports the fact to the captain. The bugler sounds attention as the "old man" appears on deck, a mental rehashing of stories and a stiffening of backs goes down the line. The order "reports, salute," is given and the captain is ready to hear the first case.

"Brown, H. R., two hours over leave from liberty," reads the yeoman standing by with the records and report book. Brown steps forward, salutes, gives his spiel and is excused or punished, according to the fates and the skipper's humor.

"Well, sir, you see," he explains. "It was just like this. I was called late this morning. Just had time to make a run for the dock and catch the last boat for the ship. I was coming along straight for the ship when I passed the Salvation Army. The band struck up 'The Star Spangled Banner,' and, of course, I had to stop and stand at attention until they had finished. By that time I had missed the boat."

The captain calls for Brown's enlistment record, looks it over and sees that Brown is a habitual liberty breaker. "Young man," he says, "I don't believe you, four hours' extra duty with a rifle on the quarter deck" and Brown retreats forward to explain his case to his shipmates.

The story is told of a captain, old in the service of the navy and wise in the ways of liberty breakers, who claimed to have heard every excuse that could be offered at the mast for overstaying shore leave. Should a man give him a new excuse he declared he would be excused, but for an excuse he had heard before the punishment was to be doubled.

Before long a man appeared at the mast three days over leave. "Sir," he said, "I heard about your offer for a new excuse. Accidentally I broke my liberty for an hour and I have been over in town ever since trying to think up a new one."

"Go forward," said the skipper. The yeoman consults the reports book.

"Smith, G. E., drunk on duty ashore," he reads, and Smith, a newly rated petty officer, steps forward, eyeing the "crow" on his right sleeve in a manner that would lead one to suspect that he was fearful it would soon take flight and soar away.

"Well, young man, what have you to say?" "You see, sir, it was this way. I was sent ashore on patrol. You know, sir, how the doctor has warned us about the epidemic of malaria now prevalent and the danger of drinking the water ashore. As a preventive I took an overdose of whiskey and—"

"Twenty-four hours' solitary confinement on bread and water. Master at arms, take him away."

Poincarré and the Chase.

The grandfather of Monsieur Poincarré, president of the French Republic, was an enthusiastic follower of the chase. When the king of Spain was the guest of the president, some days ago, a hunt at Rambouillet was offered him. The president does not hunt, so he invited the former president, Loubet and Fallieres, to accompany the royal guest. Some time ago he

Official paper of the W. U. Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. & A. M., and International Grand Council of Herodians of Jericho of America, and Western Baptist Association.

Published every Friday by the Bystander Publishing Company, Des Moines, Iowa, Office in Chamberlain building, corner Seventh and Main streets. Iowa phone, 261.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION: One year \$1.00, Six months .60, Three months .35. All subscriptions payable in advance.

We are prepared to do first-class job work at reasonable prices. All communications must be written on one side of the paper only and be of interest to the public.

Advertising rates for display ads: 25 cents per inch, for each insertion. Three to six months contract, 10 cents per line. Local advertising, counting seven words as a line.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS: This notice applies to all writers, contributors, agents and correspondents. Sign all articles, write only upon one side of paper, write a plain hand and spell accurately.

Read the Iowa State Bystander, the greatest and newest weekly in the west. Contributors, agents and correspondents: Sign all articles, write only upon one side of paper, write a plain hand and spell accurately.

The Iowa State Bystander is the oldest Afro-American journal published in Iowa. It was established in 1894, and is read by nearly all the colored people of Iowa.

MEMBER NATIONAL NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION

A Chance for a Bargain: An Irishman who had begun to produce photography went into a shop to purchase a small bottle in which to mix some of his solutions.

Hotel Buxton: A new modern steam heated hotel—Everything first class. Cigars, Soft Drinks, Lunches etc. Open Day and Night. O. PETERSON, Phone 261. Proprietor Buxton, Iowa

Green's Cafe: The Old and Reliable Place to get good meals or lunches. Ice Cream and Cigars. 114 E. 5th Street. Phone 4908-y. E. Green, Prop., Davenport Ia

When in Mexico, Mo., go to Mr. & Mrs. James H. Coleman. For Good Meals, Lunches and Rooms. We carry a good fine of groceries and will deliver to any part of city. We deliver trunks, baggage, etc. Give us a call. Prompt service Guaranteed. S. E. Cor. of Park and Walnut Sts

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers. Read the Iowa State Bystander, the greatest and newest weekly in the west.

The Youth's Companion: No Present like it for any one in any home at any price. Give it to whom you will, you will find all the family looking for it. It is more than 52 numbers filled with delightful reading—it is an influence for all that is best in home and American life. 52 times a year - not 12. Christmas Coupon: Cut this out and send it with \$2.00 for The Companion for 1914, and we will send FREE all the issues for the remaining weeks of 1913 and The Companion Practical Home Calendar for 1914.

Magic Hair Grower and Straightening Oil: The most wonderful hair preparation on the market. We say Magic we do not exaggerate, as you can see great results in the first few treatments. We guarantee Magic Hair Grower to stop the hair at once from falling out and breaking off; making harsh, stubborn hair soft and silky. Magic Hair Grower grows hair on bald places of the head. If you use these preparations once you will never be without them. Magic Hair Grower and Straightening Oil are manufactured by Meadames South and Johnson. We also do scalp treating. Magic Hair Grower, 50c. Straightening Oil, 35c. All orders promptly filled; send 10c for postage. Money must accompany all orders. Agents wanted—Write for particulars. We carry everything in the latest fashionable hair goods at the lowest prices. We make switches, puffs, transformation curls, coronet braids, and combings many to order, matching all shades a specialty. Send samples of hair with all orders. 2416 Blondo St., Omaha, Neb. Phone, Webster 880

Our leading soprano, in the person of Mrs. Laura Brown, has left our city for an indefinite period. We hope not for long, as we all enjoy hearing Mrs. Laura Brown sing. Have you been attending the Christian Endeavor Sunday evening since Mr. Richard Stewart has been superintendent. If not, go Sunday. You will hear a good discussion on the topic, and a delightful program arranged by Mrs. James F. Guy. Don't miss any of the meetings. Every Sunday evening. We were glad to see quite a number of our boys and girls home from the colleges and schools during the holidays. Mr. Ambrose Morris and Mrs. Alice Stevenson were called to Des Moines suddenly on account of the death of their brother, Mr. Eugene Morris. There has not been much work in Buxton for the last month, but everybody seems to be in good cheer.

Burke's Cafe: 1021 West Broadway. A New modern Cafe. Everything first class. Good Rooms. Open at All Hours. C. H. BURKE, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Manager.

Jones Cafe: The Old Reliable Place to get your meals. PHONE RED 318 W. 3rd St 3027. Rooming House at 3rd St.

VIVIAN L. JONES Funeral Director: The very best service guaranteed. Prices the lowest. Calls answered promptly day or night. No extra charges for distance—Reverse all phone charges. PHONE: Maple 2548. Residence Black 1658. Office 519 East Court Ave. Des Moines

ITEMS FROM COLFAX. Died, at her home in Colfax, Sunday, January 4, 1914, at 12 a. m., Mrs. Susan Alexander. Mrs. Alexander was born in Newport, Augusta county, Virginia. She moved to this state about twenty-four years ago. She leaves to mourn her loss five daughters and two sons and a large host of friends. A precious one from us is gone. A voice we loved is still. A place is vacant in our home that never can be filled. Mrs. Annie Humble and Mrs. Rhodes and Mr. Chas. Beale of Buxton attended the funeral of Mrs. Alexander. Mr. David Johnson of Washington, formerly a resident of Colfax, was in our city one day last week shaking hands with his many friends. Rev. and Mrs. Bates were in our city Monday visiting friends. Mr. M. R. Welsh has just returned from South Dakota, where he has spent the summer. The out-of-town guests who attended the funeral of Mrs. Alexander were a niece, Mrs. Lottie Ferguson, from Chicago; Mrs. Ella Pinkney of California, daughter of Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Craddock of Des Moines, and Mrs. Ella Johnson of Burlington, sister of Mrs. Alexander. Mr. J. W. Holmes spent the holidays in Des Moines visiting his many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Terrell spent the holidays in Buxton visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cooper. Rev. Evans arrived Saturday with his family from Centerville. They expect to make Colfax their future home. Our reporter, after an absence of several months, has returned to our city and will be glad to have you send or phone in to her the items for the paper.

BEST COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN. "I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it, as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.

MOLINE, ILL., NEWS. Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Walkup entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sam Britton, Mr. and Mrs. Lanire and Mr. and Mrs. Walkup at a New Year's eve dinner at their home on Thirty-first street. The entertainment and concert given by the Aid society at the A. M. E. church New Year's day was quite a success. A neat sum was realized by the ladies. Mrs. Delia Patterson of Twelfth avenue has gone to Chicago to spend the winter months with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Scott. Mrs. Alice Gorman entertained a number of young folks at her home on Thirty-first street at a watch meeting party. The evening was spent in music and cards. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess. Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Tarver have moved to Seventh street and Fifteenth avenue. Mrs. Will Enix of Seventeenth street royally entertained ladies of the tri-city and the H. S. B. club at her home Friday afternoon. The guests of honor were Mrs. Jim Hoskins of Rock Island, Mrs. Carbon of Davenport and Mrs. John Hoskins of Moline. A four-course luncheon was served by the hostess. Quite a number attended the watch services at the A. M. E. church. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tarver are able to be about, but Mr. Lawrence Tarver is still very sick. Mr. Shaw of Milwaukee, is visiting at the Henry Harris residence on Seventeenth street. Mr. and Mrs. Paris Robinson entertained a number of young folks at their home on Ninth avenue. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and cards. Luncheon was served. Mrs. Phineas Tarver is on the sick list.

Under the auspices of Mrs. James F. Guy, class No. M tendered their Sunday school teacher, Mrs. B. F. Woodard, a very pleasant surprise party on Wednesday, January 7th. The class consists of married ladies only, about fifteen in number. Each was accompanied by her husband. Each member gave Mrs. Woodard a token, after which refreshments were served. All left at a late hour and reported a delightful time. There were a few guests invited. That speaks well for the teacher. God bless the good work. Mr. Ed Downs is still poorly. Mrs. Rose Watson is on the sick list, also Mr. Bennie Jones is confined to his bed. Now is the time for the missionaries to act at the home of Mr. Jones. Oh, say, are you attending the studies on Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A.? If not, you do not know what a treat you are missing. Good work. Secretary McGrew, keep it up. Mr. Ed Downs is still poorly. Under the auspices of Mrs. James F. Guy, class No. M tendered their Sunday school teacher, Mrs. B. F. Woodard, a very pleasant surprise party on Wednesday, January 7th. The class consists of married ladies only, about fifteen in number. Each was accompanied by her husband. Each member gave Mrs. Woodard a token, after which refreshments were served. All left at a late hour and reported a delightful time. There were a few guests invited. That speaks well for the teacher. God bless the good work.

REAL COLORED PEOPLE'S HAIR: WE are the largest Importer and Manufacturer in this line. Plaits, Wigs, Pomps Puffs, Braids and Transformations in stock or to order. All our goods guaranteed to stand combing and washing and to hold the color and crimp. All shades matched, none too difficult. Mixed gray our specialty. Send 2c for catalogue. Straightening combs and toilet articles our specialty. The Only and Old Reliable. MME. BAUM'S HAIR EMPORIUM 486 8th Avenue New York City. Mail Orders Promptly Attended To. MME. BAUM'S Well-Known Toilet Preparations: These Toilet Preparations are guaranteed to be pure and free from all injurious ingredients and guarantee under the Pure Food and Drug Law. Serial No. 44425. MME. BAUM'S Hair Success for straightening hair, will stop dandruff and improve growth of hair. 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 per jar. MME. BAUM'S Wonder Hair Tonic will put new hair on those bald temples. 50c, 75c and \$1.00 per bottle. MME. BAUM'S Face Bleach and Skin Whitener, liquid or cream. 50c, 75c, \$1.00 per bottle or jar. MME. BAUM'S Orotic Face Powder, 35c per box. MME. BAUM'S Cold Cream for cleansing the skin. 50c per jar. MME. BAUM'S Skin Food, for nourishing the skin. 50c per jar. MME. BAUM'S Brilliantines and Ideal Hair Dressings will render the hair soft and glossy; will make the hair look lively. MME. BAUM'S Dandruff Remedy will absolutely remove dandruff and make the hair grow. Price per bottle, 50c. MME. BAUM'S French Vegetable Tonic, an absolute hair grower. Per bottle 50c. MME. BAUM'S Shampoo, splendid wash for scalp and skin. 50 cents. Lamp Brackets, will set over lamp chimney or gas jet, for heating comb or iron. Price 25c. MME. BAUM'S Straightening Combs will render the most stubborn hair straight. Price \$2, \$1.50, \$1, 85c, 60c, 40c, 25c. MME. BAUM'S Victors Comb, 50c and 75c. Perfection tongs, \$1.00 and \$1.50 an ideal straightener. MME. BAUM'S Electric Straightening Comb 25c. MME. BAUM'S Magic Comb, 89 cents. Heating Stoves for heating straightening combs 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50. MME. BAUM'S pinching irons or pullers, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Parcel Post Stamps only accepted as payment of postage.

As an Exchange Grows the Operating Expense of Each Telephone Increases: As the number of telephones in an exchange increases, the value of the service to each subscriber is enlarged. Two connected telephones would permit each subscriber to talk to but one other. Six connected telephones would permit each to talk to five others—giving five times the service to each subscriber and necessitating five times the operating labor for each telephone. Thus, in a given ratio, the value of the service to each subscriber increases as the number of telephones increase; and the operating expense of each telephone in the exchange increases in like proportion. This is one reason why telephone service always costs more in the large towns. IOWA TELEPHONE COMPANY

Lucas dinner served. The Lamberts have a lovely home and they know how to entertain. Rev. and Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Hattie Lambert were guests of Rev. and Mrs. Broyles, 622 Tenth street, at New Year's dinner. Mr. C. Lambert, who has been very sick, is much better at this writing. Quite a number from Rock Island attended the concert in Moline on New Year's evening. Mrs. John Thompson of St. Louis, Mo., who has been stopping at Mrs. R. D. Pollard's for three months, left last Friday for Chicago, where she will stay the rest of the winter. Mrs. W. M. Parker of South Rock Island returned home from Fort Madison, after taking care of her sick mother for three months. At this writing her mother is much improved.

Best Cough Medicine for Children. "I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it, as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.

MOLINE, ILL., NEWS. Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Walkup entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sam Britton, Mr. and Mrs. Lanire and Mr. and Mrs. Walkup at a New Year's eve dinner at their home on Thirty-first street. The entertainment and concert given by the Aid society at the A. M. E. church New Year's day was quite a success. A neat sum was realized by the ladies. Mrs. Delia Patterson of Twelfth avenue has gone to Chicago to spend the winter months with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Scott. Mrs. Alice Gorman entertained a number of young folks at her home on Thirty-first street at a watch meeting party. The evening was spent in music and cards. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess. Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Tarver have moved to Seventh street and Fifteenth avenue. Mrs. Will Enix of Seventeenth street royally entertained ladies of the tri-city and the H. S. B. club at her home Friday afternoon. The guests of honor were Mrs. Jim Hoskins of Rock Island, Mrs. Carbon of Davenport and Mrs. John Hoskins of Moline. A four-course luncheon was served by the hostess. Quite a number attended the watch services at the A. M. E. church. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tarver are able to be about, but Mr. Lawrence Tarver is still very sick. Mr. Shaw of Milwaukee, is visiting at the Henry Harris residence on Seventeenth street. Mr. and Mrs. Paris Robinson entertained a number of young folks at their home on Ninth avenue. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and cards. Luncheon was served. Mrs. Phineas Tarver is on the sick list.

Under the auspices of Mrs. James F. Guy, class No. M tendered their Sunday school teacher, Mrs. B. F. Woodard, a very pleasant surprise party on Wednesday, January 7th. The class consists of married ladies only, about fifteen in number. Each was accompanied by her husband. Each member gave Mrs. Woodard a token, after which refreshments were served. All left at a late hour and reported a delightful time. There were a few guests invited. That speaks well for the teacher. God bless the good work. Mr. Ed Downs is still poorly. Mrs. Rose Watson is on the sick list, also Mr. Bennie Jones is confined to his bed. Now is the time for the missionaries to act at the home of Mr. Jones. Oh, say, are you attending the studies on Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A.? If not, you do not know what a treat you are missing. Good work. Secretary McGrew, keep it up. Mr. Ed Downs is still poorly. Under the auspices of Mrs. James F. Guy, class No. M tendered their Sunday school teacher, Mrs. B. F. Woodard, a very pleasant surprise party on Wednesday, January 7th. The class consists of married ladies only, about fifteen in number. Each was accompanied by her husband. Each member gave Mrs. Woodard a token, after which refreshments were served. All left at a late hour and reported a delightful time. There were a few guests invited. That speaks well for the teacher. God bless the good work.

A good place to get Rooms and Board down town is at Mrs. Ella Epperson 507 Grand Avenue. Meals are Served to the Public. Phone Red 4076. MRS. ELLA EPPERSON, Prop.

FREE COLORED PEOPLES HAIR: We are the largest importers and manufacturers of colored peoples hair and the most reliable firm in this line. We make wigs, switches, braids, transformations and all styles of hair that can comb and wash the same as your own. We also sell straightening combs, hair nets and cut hair by the pound. We guarantee all goods, and if not satisfied money will be refunded. Our prices are lower than those quoted elsewhere. Send 2c stamp for illustrated book. HUMANIA Hair Company Dept 61 23 Duane St., New York. When visiting in Omaha, Nebraska see D. O. Russell for neatly furnished rooms—all modern up-to-date houses. Phones, residence Douglass 5033; Office Douglass 3193. 1918 and 1922 Cummins street.

Patronize THE Mystic Theater Where You are Welcome 11th and Center Sts.

CLARINDA, IOWA. Mrs. C. Farrier underwent an operation and is getting along nicely. Mr. C. Parrod of Essex is visiting friends here. Mrs. Otto Baker is on the sick list. Rev. Mitchell filled his appointment at Oregon, Mo. Mr. Winifred Montgomery is home again. Fred Douglass was brought from Oskaloosa seriously ill with rheumatism. The Baptists have started a series of meetings. Uncle Barney Cooke has been very sick. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson spent a few hours in our city one day last week. Mr. John Morgan has been seriously ill. Mrs. Allen Jones has been laid up with a lame foot.

BUXTON REVIEW. Misses Magnolia and Persilla Sears entertained a number of friends at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Carter in honor of their friend, Miss Mary Jane Reeves. The Ladies' Industrial club gave a New Year dinner at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Neely in South Buxton. The out of town guests were Miss Valetta London, who is attending the State university at Iowa City; Miss Mary Perkins, Miss Ruth Southall and Miss Mary Jane Reeves of Des Moines. Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Lewis entertained Misses Mary Jane Reeves and Bertha Strathair at a 6 o'clock dinner Wednesday. The out of town guests who have been visiting in our city during the holidays have been royally entertained at the different homes. They regret to leave as the parting time draws near. Mrs. Fannie Oliver is on the sick list this week. Mr. Edward J. Downs is not improving. Mr. John Graves is still on the sick list. The F. B. M. club gave a banquet at the Elks hall Friday night. They all had a nice time. Mrs. Dooley and Mrs. T. W. Watson have returned back to Rockford, Ill., this week to their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Oval Bryant are happy over a bouncing baby girl. Mrs. Susie Burks has been on the sick list a few days, but is improving. Mr. J. R. Blaney, Sr., was out with the young ladies last evening to the skating rink. A fine beginning indeed. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Terrell of Colfax were in our city a few days visiting their daughter, Mrs. B. F. Cooper. Dr. C. G. Roberson and J. W. Smith were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cooper at a 1 o'clock dinner on New Year's. Mrs. Adelaide Brooks and Miss Ethel Terrell were in our city a few days visiting their sister, Mrs. B. F. Cooper. They were en route to Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo. No. 12 men are still out of work. We hope they will be able to get to work soon. Miss Gertrude Lucas has returned to our city. She has been away on a visit during the holidays. Mr. All Night is getting along all right, better known as W. H.

DAVENPORT NOTES. Mrs. Rachel Baker of Fairfield, Iowa, and Mrs. Liza Thomas of Fort Madison were over Sunday visitors in the city. Miss Aletha Hopkins and Mr. C. H. Robinson were baptized and read into full membership at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning. Bethel starts out this new year with five additions to its church roll. Mr. Eugene Green has been appointed administrator for the late Lindsey Pitts estate. Mrs. Oden, who spent the holidays with her son and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Taylor, returned to her home in Chester, Wyo., last Friday, after spending a delightful time in our city. Very impressive memorial services were held at Bethel A. M. E. church by the Sunday school for the late Lyman K. Shepard. At the Sunday school hour Sunday the following resolutions were adopted: Resolutions from Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school for the late Lyman K. Shepard, of Davenport, Iowa. Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to take from among us Lyman Kenneth Shepard, one of our beloved and highly esteemed Sunday school scholars and enrollment secretary of said school, and a member of the Gleaner boys' class, and whereas we have lost one of our bright and promising young men, whose life was a life that his classmates should emulate. Our loss is his eternal gain. Therefore be it resolved that while we mourn his loss we bow in humble submission to Almighty God and extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sorrow. Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school, a copy sent to the parents, grandparents, and a copy to The Iowa State Bystander. Mrs. Esther Stovall, Mrs. Lucy Hopkins and Miss Hazel Busey, committee. Miss La Verne Martin from Dubuque, Iowa, is visiting relatives in the city. Mrs. Ruth Bright, G. W. M. of the O. E. S. of the state of Iowa and jurisdiction, is out on her annual tour. Hiram lodge, No. 19, A. F. & A. M., has several applications for degrees.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL. Mrs. Chas. Jones is ill at her home, 14 1-2 street. Mr. and Mrs. C. Lambert of South Rock Island entertained at Xmas dinner Rev. and Mrs. Broyles of this city and their little niece, Mrs. S. Corbin and her little son, Mr. W. E. Sample and Mr. Bradberry of Davenport. The dining room was beautifully decorated in Yuletide colors, which lent a greater desire on the part of all in partaking of the sum-

Stomach Trouble Cured. If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Tablets. Mr. J. P. Klotz of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by all dealers.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES. The Christmas exercises at both churches were fine, also well attended. The old folks' concert given at the A. M. E. church Friday night was fine and was a grand success. Miss Maudie Burnaugh entertained a few friends at luncheon Christmas evening. Covers were laid for twelve. The out of town guests were the Misses Neil Morris of Buxton, Grace Harris of Buxton, Mrs. Leo Reader of Keokuk, Mr. Everett Reed of Maquoketa, Iowa, Mr. John Junkins of Elkfield, Iowa, Mr. Edd Printes of Ft. Madison, Iowa. All report a jolly time. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wicks entertained at dinner Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Reed. Mrs. Amanda Reecer of 405 East Mill street entertained at dinner on Christmas Rev. Jackson and family. Covers were laid for eight. Everyone enjoyed themselves, saying the hostess was a royal entertainer. The Misses Bessie Taylor and Edna Hicks of Centerville are in the city visiting relatives and friends. Miss Gladys Anderson of Omaha, Neb., is in the city visiting relatives. Mr. Walker of Centerville is in the city visiting friends. Mr. Will Plesno of Monroe City, Missouri, is spending the holidays in our city. Mr. and Mrs. George Colston of Fairfield spent Sunday in our city. Mrs. Emily Keith has gone to Honeywell, Mo., to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. Bessie Branch of Omaha, Neb., is in our city visiting her father, Mr. Charles Austin. Mr. Everett Reed and Mr. Wilber Burnaugh have returned to their work in Maquoketa, Iowa, after spending Xmas here with relatives and friends. Mrs. W. M. Greenway and sons, George and Johnston, have returned to their home in Muscatine. Mrs. Clay Reed entertained the King's Daughters society at her home Friday afternoon. After regular business light refreshments were served. All present had a jolly good time. Miss Wilmer Brooks has returned to the city, after an extended visit in Rock Island. Mr. George Berry of Rock Island, Ill., is in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. Sarah Berry.

FEVER SORES. Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and diseases of the skin. For sale by all dealers.

FEVER SORES. Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and diseases of the skin. For sale by all dealers.

FEVER SORES. Fever sores and old chronic sores should not be healed entirely but should be kept in healthy condition. This can be done by applying Chamberlain's Salve. This salve has no superior for this purpose. It is also most excellent for chapped hands, sore nipples, burns and diseases of the skin. For sale by all dealers.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. (Last Week.) The Ladies' Aid society of Mt. Zion Baptist church will hold open house Thursday evening, January 1, at the church parlors from 8 to 11 for their husbands and friends. Mrs. Cora Harrison, chairman. The Peerless Entertainers will give a musical Wednesday evening, January 7th, at the Odd Fellows hall, under the supervision of Mr. L. Brooks, for the benefit of Rev. J. H. Garrison. Mrs. Elvora Wilkinson was hostess, entertaining a large company of friends Christmas evening in compliment to Miss Mildred Hawkins of Lexington, Mo., and Mr. Ernest Harper of Centerville, S. D. A most enjoyable evening was spent in music and conversation, after which dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. A quiet wedding was solemnized Friday, December 26th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilkinson, when Miss Mildred Hawkins of Lexington, Mo., became the bride of Mr. Ernest Harper of Centerville, S. D. Rev. J. H. Garrison of the A. M. E. church officiated. Mr. Harper has been a frequent visitor in the city and has made many friends, who wish them much success upon their matrimonial voyage. Mrs. T. J. Bell left last week to spend the holidays in Des Moines. Mrs. Jerry Lee and little son, Bernard, departed for Chicago and Mr. Herman Green spent the week end in his parental home at Carroll, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harper are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilkinson. Mrs. O. J. Mullen, who has been rather indisposed, has recovered.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.

SIoux CITY, IOWA. The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Wednesday evening, at which time the treasurer, Mrs. Amelia Jackson, read her monthly report, which was splendid. Miss Mary Perkins, who is attending the university at Iowa City, was in our city over Monday, the guest of Miss Mae Terry. Miss Perkins was en route to Buxton to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Tydel Hughes of Newton, Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Boone and Dr. R. F. Phillips of St. Louis were also guests at the Terry home the past week. The Silver Leaf chapter, O. E. S., held their installation of officers December 18th. The following were installed: Mrs. M. F. Lowery, worthy matron; Mrs. Jennie Robinson, assistant matron; Rev. A. Ford, patron; W. H. Milligan, treasurer; L. D. Lowery, secretary; Mrs. Lulu Horne, conductress; Mrs. W. H. Milligan, assistant conductress. Mr. Arthur Hill of Buxton was the guest of Mr. Arthur Jackson a few days. Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson and brother are visiting Mrs. Jackson's parents in Bloomington, Ill. The choir will give a sacred concert Sunday night.