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DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1914.

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CITY NEWS.

Mrs. Maria Mash is sick this week.

Miss Mario I. Bell is reported sick this week.

Mrs. Clay Lewis is no better. She remains about the same.

Mrs. H. E. Jacobs is reported ill this week.

Wm. Morrison has been employed by the Younker Bros. department store.

Mrs. E. Yeager of 108 West Thirtieth street has been sick, but is improving now.

Mrs. Emery Jackson spent a few weeks visiting her old home in Moberly, Mo.

Mr. Oscar Heibel of Kansas City, Kans., was the guest of Miss Florence Griffin on Wednesday.

Mr. James R. Roberts was taken suddenly sick with pneumonia this week.

Mr. James Davis, who has been so very sick for several months, does not improve at all.

Mr. W. H. Birney is no better at this writing. His condition is getting worse.

Mrs. Joe Sorrell spent a few days in Enterprise with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sorrell.

Mrs. Joe Sorrell of Buxton spent a few days in our city, the guest of Mrs. Andrew Morris.

Mr. J. W. Campbell has just returned from Kansas City, Mo., where he was called to attend the funeral of his brother, who died there last week.

Mr. F. P. Johnson, one of our progressive mail carriers, has been sick the past week.

Mrs. H. S. Graves has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where she has been visiting with her parents. She reports a pleasant trip.

Mr. H. C. Brown, a student at the Capital City Commercial college, has been sick the past few days, unable to go to school.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum met last Tuesday with Mrs. Warrick. They will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. J. B. Rush. The Life of Dunbar, led by Magerine Ragsdale, will be discussed.

Sunday, March 8th, has been selected by the ministers of Des Moines as go to church day. Everybody is going to some church on that day.

Mrs. Frank Harris entertained Mrs. Annie Morris and Mrs. Fannie Sorrell at a 2 o'clock dinner Monday. An enjoyable time reported.

Mr. James B. Mitchell, one of our well known citizens, met with an accident last week. He fell from a ladder and badly sprained his ankle. While still confined to his home he is improving.

Mr. Baxter McDowell of Buxton is visiting his sister and brother, Andrew, who has been quite ill with a slight attack of pneumonia. He is much better at this writing. They reside at the home of their uncle, J. H. McDowell, 909 Eighth street.

The musical concert that was to be given by Roman tent Wednesday night, February 11th, owing to the bad weather was postponed and will be given at Maple Street Baptist church Tuesday night, February 24th. All holding tickets for the above date will be good for that night. Everybody is invited to attend. Admission, 10 cents.

The Intellectual Improvement club celebrated Frederick Douglass' birthday at the home of Mrs. J. H. McClain. Addresses were made by Atty. S. Joe Brown, Mrs. John Wilkinson, Mrs. J. B. Rush and remarks by the president, Mrs. F. P. Johnson. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21.
10:30 a. m.—"The Christian's Prize."
12 m.—Sunday school.
6:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.
7:30 p. m.—"A Strange Handwriting."
T. L. Griffith, Pastor.

WANTED AGENTS—Colored school boys and girls, good positions, good pay. Write for particulars. The Washington Agency Co., 3025 3rd St., Dept. 6, Des Moines, Ia.

DRAMATIC ART CLUB.
The Dramatic Art club met Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Rush. The program consisted of a discussion of Social Purity and Rescue as outlined by the State Federation. Meet next week with Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Discuss Household Economics.

The Woman's Law and Political Study club will meet Thursday evening,

February 26th, with Mrs. Harvey Brown. Lesson, "Mortgages." Last month the club met with Mrs. T. Adams and had an interesting lesson on "Property Rights."

SUFFRAGETTE CLUB.
The Des Moines Suffragette club met Friday evening, February 13, at the Union Congregational church. A large number of men and women were present to hear the very instructive address of Mrs. Frank W. Dodson, ex-county recorder. The club is having the desired influence on the public. At the next meeting, Friday, March 13, the program will consist of a drill in voting and a discussion of municipal ownership of the water works. Everybody is invited to attend.

EDITORIALS

FREDERICK DOUGLASS.
This week is supposed to have occurred the birthday of Hon. Frederick Douglass, one of the truly great men of his race and the age in which he lived—in abject poverty and a degraded slavery, with no maternal training or parental care—yet from out of this low depth he struggled to become a man. So it was by the divine hand that he fled from bondage, purchased his own freedom, became a lecturer, an editor, a statesman and a diplomat of the highest rank, honored abroad, revered at home. He was one of the finest orators of his time, and truly a great character in moulding the destinies of the Negro race.

THE NEGRO FARMER.
The Negro Farmer is the name of a new farm journal just started in Tuskegee, Ala., by some of the citizens of Tuskegee. It is published in the interest of the Negro farmers throughout the United States and will meet a long felt want. We welcome it and shall encourage it, for our agriculturist should be encouraged. Then again the Negro farmer, like the white farmer, is going to be a mighty power in the making of our race and solving the race problem. We have a few colored farmers that are farming and owning farms from 160 to 1,000 acres of valuable Iowa land and there is no race prejudice out on these farms. These white farmers buy and sell their corn, wheat, oats, hogs, cattle and chickens from the colored farmers, so let us thoughtful and leading men encourage the Negro farmer and urge him to stay on the farm and buy more farms. So we welcome this new journal, The Negro Farmer, to our office and hope for it a large and useful influence in this country.

MARRIED.
On Thursday afternoon at the residence of Rev. B. U. Taylor occurred the marriage of Rev. A. C. Taylor of Douglas, Wyoming, to Mrs. A. R. Richardson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. U. Taylor in the presence of a few friends. They left Friday for their future home in Wyoming. The bride is well known here, where she spent many years, the wife of A. R. Richardson, who died many years ago. The groom is assistant U. S. chaplain in the army.

PUBLIC MASS MEETING.
To all whom it may concern: This is to certify that the undersigned committee has been authorized to call a public mass meeting to convene in St. Paul's A. M. E. church March 9, 1914, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of organizing a local Negro Business League. All persons engaged in legitimate business and all others interested in the future business welfare of our people are hereby extended a special invitation to present. To absent yourself from this meeting without a reasonable excuse means that you are not interested in the progress and business enterprises of the race.
Rev. T. L. Griffith, Chairman.
Rev. B. U. Taylor.
Rev. T. M. Brumfield.
Rev. S. Bates.
Atty. S. Joe Brown.
Dr. A. J. Booker.
Mr. W. H. McCree, Esq.
Mrs. J. B. Rush.
Rev. W. L. Lee, Secretary.

OBITUARY.
Clem Miller Dead.
Mr. Clem Miller one of Jasper county's highly esteemed colored citizens, died at his home in Newton on February 10th. He was 76 years, 6 months and 10 days old. He was born in Kentucky and came to Missouri when about 15 years old. He came to Iowa in 1862, enlisted in the civil war in 1863 and after fighting bravely for his and his race freedom he returned to Newton, where he spent his life. He was successful and well liked. He leaves one son, Fred, and a loving wife to mourn his loss. The funeral was conducted by Rev. T. L. Griffith, which was largely attended by both white and colored folks.

CEDAR RAPIDS ITEMS.
The Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Lulu Horne on Friday evening. The club is making preparations for an apron bazaar. Grandma Milligan fell down stairs and cut her head, but is doing nicely at this writing. We sincerely hope it does not prove serious.
Mrs. Milligan entertained at a

FORT MADISON NOTES.
The A. M. E. church is planning to have a mock wedding on February 22d. The participants are little Miss Viola Murphy and Masted Orville Woods. A program will also be rendered by the talented members of the Sunday school.
Mrs. Cornelia Molby of Lake Village, Arkansas, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Harper.
Mrs. Cornelia Molby was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Bert Payne. Covers were laid for ten.
Mrs. Bessie Buckner is seriously ill at her home on Spruce street.
The entertainment given at the A.

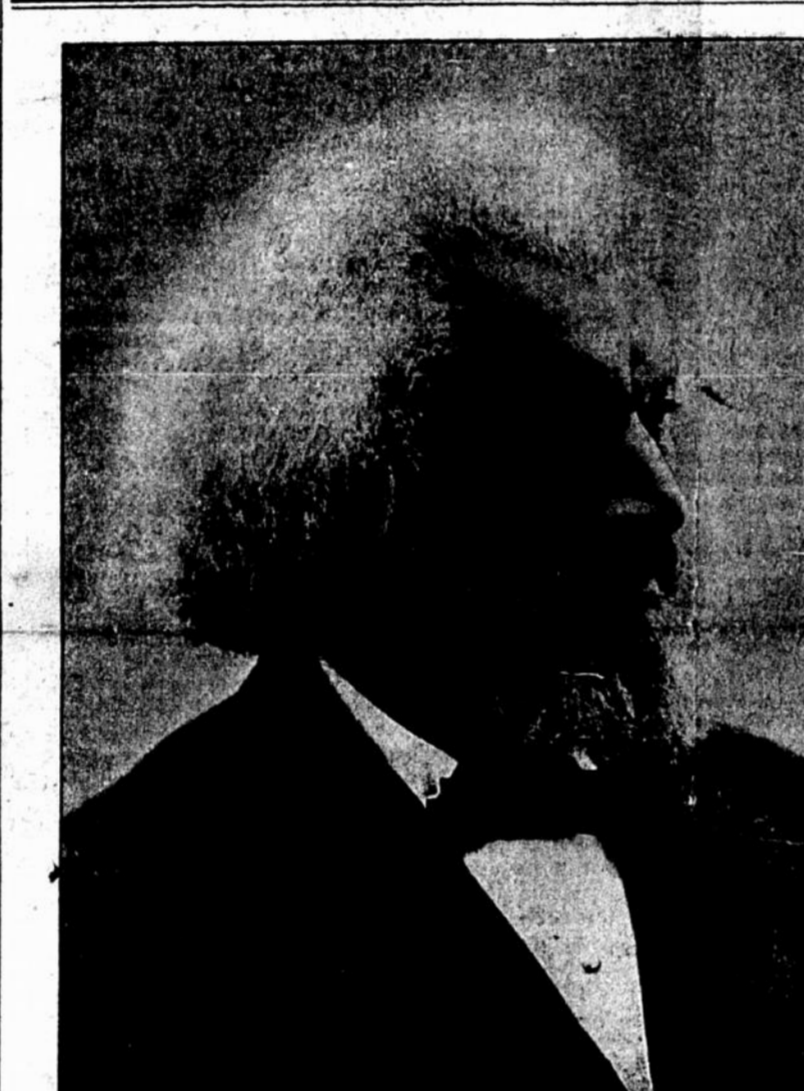
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FOR COUNCILMAN.



M. P. McNeerney.

This week we present to our many readers the likeness of Mr. M. P. McNeerney, one of our young successful business men, who has announced himself as a candidate for one of the city commissioners to be elected next month. Mr. McNeerney is a Des Moines boy, raised here, and a brother to the very popular druggist, Mr. John McNeerney, on Sixth avenue. They are true friends of the colored people and he solicits your support.



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o'clock dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Gresham, Mr. and Mrs. Pettigrew and Mesdames Hawkins and Boyd.
Mr. Eddie Corely spent Sunday in Muscatine with his best girl. Watch yourself now, the Mississippi is frozen over.
The Missionary society gave an entertainment February 5th. It was very much enjoyed, considering the large audience. The young men had charge of the refreshments. There is much credit due them in the way they served.

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M. E. church last Thursday evening was a success both financially and socially.

Miss Louise Harper was visiting in Keokuk on Sunday as the guest of Miss Verna Beaman.

Mr. Burl Anderson of New Boston was a Fort Madison visitor.

The following officers were elected for the incoming year at the A. M. E. church: Daniel Isom, superintendent; Ruth Mack, secretary; Rev. Owens, teacher of Bible class; Louise Harper, teacher of intermediate class; Lucy King, class No. one; Virgie Black, teacher class No. two; Mrs. R. Owens, teacher class No. three.

A club was organized by a few of our prominent citizens Friday evening, with Miss Jennie Harper acting as chairman. It bears the name of "The Golden Leaf." They have enrolled ten members. More are expected later on.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.
Miss Demby gave a musical entertainment at Mt. Zion A. M. E. church. She was assisted by local talent and Miss Edna Jones of Okaloosa presided at the piano. We highly commend Miss Demby.

Mr. and Mrs. G. McGill's children, Marjorie and Lawrence, have been quite sick.

Mr. James Fields is quite sick, confined to his bed; also Mrs. Fields, who is unable to get around, is suffering with rheumatism.

COUNCIL BLUFFS ITEMS.

Mrs. Ruth B. Bright, G. W. M. of Electa Grand Chapter, O. E. S., organized in our city Thursday, February 6th, a new chapter, known as Star of Bethlehem, with a membership of twenty, assisted by the G. M., J. L. Thompson of Des Moines, and Miss Flora C. Walker of Naomi chapter, No. 1, Davenport, Iowa, after which the ladies, under the direction of Mrs. F. C. Walker, served the entire chapter, Mr. Charles Davis, G. J. W., toastmaster.

Mr. Lee Burger died Friday, February 6, 1914, at Clarinda, Iowa. Funeral from Bethel A. M. E. church on Thursday, February, of which he was a member and also a former trustee of said church.

R. C. Milton preached on Sunday evening at Bethel A. M. E. church, preparatory to leaving to the charge of the Centerville circuit, to which he has been assigned by the presiding elder.

A concert will be given February 14 at Bethel for the benefit of the choir.

The entertainment given at the Tabernacle church was quite a success.

Mrs. Hazel Turner had as her guest for tea Mrs. R. Bright of Davenport, Iowa, February 6th. Mrs. Turner was assisted by Mrs. Fredonia Green.

Mrs. Ruth Bright was entertained at the home of Mrs. Ellen Rose on February 2.

Mrs. Flora Walker entertained at luncheon at her home in honor of Mrs. R. Bright of Davenport, Mrs. O. C. Steward of South Omaha and Mrs. Irma Estatto of Council Bluffs. Covers were laid for ten. Spring flowers were the decoration. Color scheme, blue.

Those that are sick are Mrs. Berry and Miss Hazel Steward.

Mrs. E. Anderson has been called to Kansas City to be at the bedside of her son.

KEOKUK ITEMS.

The following officers of Household of Ruth, No. 177, were installed by Ex-District G. M. W. A. S. Mills for the year 1914: Mrs. Fred Holmes, M. U. G.; Mrs. G. Holt, R. U. G.; Mrs. J. Smith, W. R.; Mrs. M. Mills, W. T.; Miss N. Mills, N. G.; Mrs. Thos. Jefferson, W. P.; Mr. W. A. S. Mills, P. M. N. G.; Mrs. B. Smith, W. C.; Mrs. Alice Kebo, W. S.; Mrs. G. Stuart, Miss B. Stuart, senior stewards; Mrs. Edna Alberts, Mrs. James Boyd, junior stewards; Mr. Zack Taylor, counselor.

Officers of Reliance lodge, No. 1859: H. A. S. Mills, U. G.; Frank Fields, V. G.; Ed Robertson, P. S.; Wm. R. Mills, E. S.; George Mott, W. T.; P. Pollard, W. C.; Zack Taylor, N. F.; Francis Perkins, R. S. N. G.; Hugh Sackey, S. G.; A. T. Watkins, P. N. G.; John Buford, warden; George Fowler, R. S. V. G.; James Boyd, L. S.; C. Prentice, advocate.

After the joint installation a delicious luncheon was served and pleasant hours were enjoyed by all until a late hour.

The death of Mr. Jno. F. Craig, which occurred at St. Joseph's hospital last Friday morning, came as a severe shock to many friends of deceased. Mr. Craig is survived by his wife, Mrs. Serelda Craig, and one son, Horace. Funeral was held last Sunday afternoon from the residence, conducted by Rev. J. P. Sims. A large concourse of sorrowing friends gathered to pay their last tribute of respect.

The death of Mr. Mark Elliott occurred at his home last Tuesday morning. Deceased was an old and highly respected resident and had many friends.

An old fashioned wood chopping and log tacking was enjoyed recently at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Dandridge. The prize honor for tacking the most logs was awarded Miss Pearl Mitchell. We failed to get the gentleman's name who won in the wood chopping race.

The lecture that will be delivered at Bethel church by Mrs. Tillman will be February 17th instead of February 12th, as previously stated.

Miss Louise Harper of Fort Madison spent last Sunday in our city as the guest of Miss Verna H. Beaman.

Rev. Burton is conducting meetings at the First African Baptist church this week.

Mrs. Etha Goins has been quite ill, but at this writing is convalescent.

Mrs. Jane Goins is reported to be quite seriously ill.

A recent visit from the stork presented Mr. and Mrs. Sid Daley with a son.

Mrs. Isabelle South and Sr. Sud Lean were recently united in marriage and are receiving the congratulations of their numerous friends.

Reason Enthroned.
Because meats are so tasty they are consumed in great excess. This leads to stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. Revise your diet, let reason and not a pampered appetite control, then take a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets and you will soon be well again. Try it. For sale by all dealers.

BUXTON NEWS.
(Special to Bystander.)
Mrs. Adah Green quietly passed away last Monday. We were looking for the end, but still we were not ready.

Mrs. Katherine Carter and Mr. James Brooks were quietly married last week by Rev. B. F. Woodard. They are now located in their own

home on East Fourth street.

Miss Ida Davis was down from Des Moines to attend the Brooks-Carter wedding, also visiting her aunt, Mrs. James F. Guy.

Mr. John Graves passed away last week, leaving a large family.

Old lady Nancy Allen is confined to her bed at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Wright.

We, the members of St. John's A. M. E. church, take this means of thanking Mrs. James F. Guy and Mrs. Anna Humbles for the new velvet altar cloth.

We note since go to church day some new faces in our congregations. The Self-Culture club met in the country at the beautiful home of Mrs. Addie Johnson. Talking about good cooking and plenty to eat, it was there.

Mrs. Jinkins of Virginia is here visiting her brother, Mr. Anderson.

The Bible concert was grand and a success financially. We wish to thank Mrs. James F. Guy, Mrs. Anna Humbles and Mrs. W. W. Lee for their splendid effort.

Some of the men who belong to the Mission Circle entertained the Mission ladies at a bountiful repast on Thursday at the Mt. Zion Baptist church.

The Y. W. C. of the Y. M. C. A. sang some beautiful music Sunday.

Mrs. B. F. Cooper and Mrs. F. Guy also sang a very pretty duet.

Dr. Carter's address was something fine Sunday at the Y. M. C. A. Don't fail to hear him next time.

We wish to thank all of those who took part in the Bible concert. Mrs. James F. Guy, program committee; Mrs. Anna Humbles, refreshment committee; Mrs. W. W. Lee, music committee.

The Organ club entertained at Mrs. Addie Johnson's on Monday, February 9th, with great success. Mrs. Johnson sent in her sleigh and we all had a good time going out.

The Self-Culture club met with Mrs. Alice Stevenson on Wednesday, February 11th.

The Mite Missionary society had a social at the home of Mrs. Ella Johnson.

We are glad to see Mrs. Mayme Oliver out again.

Mrs. John Jinkin has been confined to her home for the past week. She is better at this writing.

ALBIA NEWS.

Misses Pearl and Eunice Cecil spent Friday morning at the home of Mrs. James Burton. They were en route to Fairfield to attend the funeral of their father.

The entertainment given at the A. M. E. church by the trustees was a success. The coldness of the night and the storm did not avail much. The ladies realized \$20. Lawyer Geo. H. Woodson, assisted by Editor Horace Barnes of the Albia Republican, spoke. Music was furnished by the Robinson orchestra of Hocking. Singing by Albia quartet and piano solo by Mrs. Oscar Roper.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith entertained at dinner Mrs. Udell Lewis and a few others Sunday.

Mrs. R. B. Manly was called to Ohio on account of the illness of her mother.

Mrs. Luke Mosely from Hiteman, at the Miners' hospital, is still very sick.

Mrs. Strides, the mother of Mrs. Luke Mosely, returned to Ohio on Saturday.

Mrs. Udell Lewis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Roper, the past week.

BUXTON REVIEW.

Mrs. Wm. King has been on the sick list.

Mrs. A. Sharp, who is employed by the M. M. Co., is on the sick list this week.

The Organ club gave a social at the residence of Mrs. Ada Johnson last week and report a delightful time. They raised \$5.00.

The Self-Culture club gave an entertainment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Gallant in Coopertown.

St. John's A. M. E.

Sunday was quarterly meeting day. Rev. S. B. Moore, P. E., preached an excellent sermon in the morning at 11 a. m., lead the Endeavor at 6 p. m. and preached again at 7:30 p. m.

The Trustees Aid club has purchased a new bible for the pulpit. Seventy-five took communion Sunday. On account of it being so cold there were not very many out.

The presiding elder, S. B. Moore, was in our city Sunday and Monday. He left Tuesday morning for Albia, Iowa. From there he will go to Ottumwa to assist Rev. Webb, pastor, in a revival meeting.

Mt. Zion Baptist.
On account of bad weather there was not very many out to service. In the afternoon the Sunday school union rendered a fine program.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., NOTES.
One of the best programs that has been given yet this year was the one given last Friday night at the Francis Street Baptist church to commemorate the birthday of Lincoln and Douglass. It was under the auspices of the Negro Business Men's League. Prof. G. M. Grisham of Kansas City delivered the principal address, which was enjoyed by all, and it was an exceedingly good and practical address. The only way to enjoy such an address is to hear it. That league expects to have only a few such programs during the year, when some prominent man or woman of our race will be the principal speaker, and it

is also their desire to have popular prices so that the children attending school may hear our different race leaders without much expense to their parents. As stated in our previous notes, the league's headquarters are at 916 1-2 Fredrick avenue and Mr. A. T. Walker, who is chairman of the information employment bureau, is in charge of the office and he will cheerfully give you information about our race in this city free of charge.

Mrs. Holt of Wathena, Kans., was shopping in our city last Saturday night.

It is said that Rachel Lanear, a colored woman at Lebanon, Mo., had prayed that her death would be on Lincoln's birthday and she died last Friday night at the age of 101 years. She said while she was living in Kentucky she darned Lincoln's socks once when he was visiting in that state.

Some of our so-called race leaders are very sanguine sometimes about race unity and we should have more business places owned by members of our race, etc., and yet those same people will usually patronize members of another race when they could get similar service from our race.

Mr. Walter J. Irving of Horton, Kans., was in the city a few days last week. He was appointed a regular railway mail clerk a few months ago and has been assigned to a run from Horton, Kans., to Beatrice, Neb., and he will not be compelled to move from his home.

A Valentine social was given at the Ebenezer A. M. E. church last Saturday night, which was well attended.

Not long since we seen a young man and his lady friend going in a furniture store, so we expect some cards will be out ere long announcing a wedding.

The alumni of the S. U. I. in this city have received invitations to attend the initiation of the Euclid club officers at Iowa City, Iowa, on the 7th of next month. That club is a member of the Kappa Alpha Nu fraternity.

Rev. S. B. Butler of Wichita, Kans., has been called to take charge of the Francis Street Baptist church. As yet he has not said if he will accept or not. He was here on the 8th inst. and delivered two sermons at that church and met most all the members and a number of other people. After such a visit he is in a better position to decide which is best, to accept or reject the proffer made him by that church.

Rev. Butler impressed me as being a good Christian and church worker, with liberal views and a progressive race man. We trust he will decide to take charge of that church.

The theater recently erected by Mr. Chas. Phelps was opened last Monday night. It is fireproof and has all the modern conveniences. At present they will exhibit moving pictures only. Mr. Louis Smith is the manager. This being the only one in this city owned by a colored man, we wonder if our race will give it enough patronage to make it a success.

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KILL CHINCH BUGS

They Are Best Destroyed During Winter Months.

According to Department of Agriculture Pest Has Caused Loss Considerably in Excess of \$350,000,000 to American Farmers.

Washington.—The chinch bug, which in 60 years has probably caused loss considerably in excess of \$350,000,000 to American farmers, is more effectively destroyed during the winter months than later when it has left its winter quarters, according to the department of agriculture.

The pest, which is distributed generally throughout the United States except in the extreme west, has caused particular damage to the staple grains throughout the middle west. The greatest losses from the insect are suffered in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, North Carolina, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas. The fact that this bug causes such widespread depredations makes this warning for its destruction during the winter of very general importance.

The chinch bug when full grown is only about one-fifth of an inch in length and may be less. It may be described as black with numerous hairs, also black. The underwings are white. There are two forms of the fully developed insect, one with long wings and the other with shorter wings. The short wing form differs very much in its habits from the long wing form, the first passing the winter in the meadows, which it usually attacks in preference to grain crops. The other kind may be observed flying about during Indian summer in search of winter quarters. The short wing insects are not able to fly and therefore cannot make such extensive migrations to and from winter quarters. The chinch bug with the short wings is found in abundance only in the east. The more dangerous long wing variety ranges over most of the country between the Rockies and the Appalachians.

Pasturing sometimes aids in the destruction of the chinch bug. This is particularly effective to the northward in the middle west when the grass is green and matted or occurs along hedge rows and rail fences so that it cannot be burned. Leaving the ground bare of vegetation permits the bugs to be exposed to the winter weather, and this kills them. It is sometimes possible to clear out hedge rows and along rail fences, piling the refuse to one side where it can be burned later.

These measures should be carried out some time between now and spring (the earlier the better) before the chinch bugs leave their winter quarters and take themselves to the fields. In the southern part of the middle west the burning is not very effective if done after February 1 and is very effective if done in November or December. Along with these preventive measures, all grass growing on waste lands should be burned and especially clumps of broom sedge in pastures and similar localities.

It is most advisable to get rid of the chinch bugs before they enter the young wheat in the early spring. Once they have reached the wheat they are not readily accessible. Most of the bugs spend the winter in the thick bunches of clump-forming grass in waste places, pastures and meadows, along roadsides and railroad rights of way. During late fall and early winter great numbers of living bugs can be found in corn husks, piles of kafir, corn, etc. In the spring, however, very few living bugs are found in such situations. This seems to show that the current belief that most of the bugs pass the winter beneath such refuse has no foundation in fact.

It is very important when grass is burned that it be dry and yet burn slowly so that the heat will penetrate the densest portions and reach the bugs. The bugs need not come in direct contact with the fire. This burning in early fall and late spring is not as effective as when done during the winter, for green and wet stems in the former seasons furnish protection to certain of the bugs. Even the most careful burning will not reach the bugs under this condition.

An important item in the destruction of these pests is the co-operation of all the farmers in a neighborhood. It is really an easy matter to fight this pest if a whole neighborhood undertakes it.

The secretary of agriculture recently issued two orders relating to the admission of foreign potatoes into the United States. One of these orders provides for the admission of disease-free potatoes from uninfected foreign districts under proper regulation and inspection.

The other order, to protect American potatoes from the powdery scab and other diseases, temporarily extends the quarantine effective since September 20, 1912, against the importation of potatoes from Newfoundland, the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, Great Britain, including England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland; Germany, and Austria-Hungary, to include also the rest of continental Europe and the dominion of Canada. This quarantine became effective on December 24, 1912, except that shipments covered by consular invoices issued on or prior to

December 24, 1912, will be admitted up to January 15, 1914. As soon as any country or district can be shown free from potato disease the quarantine will be lifted, and potatoes will be admitted under proper regulation and inspection, as provided in the other order. It is possible that, in the case of certain provinces in Canada, and certain countries and districts in Europe, the absolute quarantine can be lifted in time to allow the later movement of the present year's crop under regulation and inspection.

The weather bureau displays at certain points the information contained in its forecasts and warnings by means of a system of flags. While the flag system has the advantage of being comparatively inexpensive to install and maintain, it is not in general use, since in large cities the flags are quickly discolored, and on account of the prevailing smoke and haze it soon becomes difficult to distinguish them.

How to Read Weather Flags. The interpretation of these displays may be more easily mastered if it is kept in mind that the meaning is conditioned on the color and form of the flag; thus a white flag, if displayed alone, means clear or fair weather, with practically no change in temperature; a blue flag alone indicates general rain or snow, with stationary temperature; a flag composed of equal portions of white and blue indicates local rain or snow, as contrasted with general rain or snow. A triangular flag is used to indicate temperature changes. When displayed above any one of the flags already mentioned it indicates rising temperature; when below, falling temperature.

Forecasts of decidedly lower temperature, or much colder, are indicated by the display of the cold wave flag—a white rectangular flag with a black square at a center. The cold wave flag is always displayed alone.

It is planned by the department of agriculture to put men in the wintering grounds of the migratory water fowl in order to take a rough census of the kinds that occupy each main wintering area along the southern California coasts in the east and along the Pacific coast in the west. This scheme is in connection with the migratory bird law and to keep track of the water fowl, so that it can be found out exactly what benefit is being obtained through the law.

Without the annual census the extent of the benefit derived from the law will not be known. If it is found that from year to year the ducks are increasing, it will, of course, show the law is beneficial. It will also furnish data for necessary changes in the law and regulation. If it is discovered that some species are being wiped out in spite of the law, then more strict regulation will be needed; but if it is found that the several species are increasing largely, the shooting season can be lengthened.

Over 4,000,000 ducks died during the last three years as the result of mysterious causes in the Salt Lake valley. At first it was thought that the deaths were caused by some bacterial disease, and the biological survey co-operated with the bureau of animal industry, department of agriculture, in investigating the matter. In some of the birds, traces of coelocysts were found, but as a rule, the internal organs were in healthy condition. As a result the department authorities arrived at the conclusion that the cause of the great destruction was poison.

The mortality among the ducks is always greater after a rain, showing that possibly some poison was washed in the feeding grounds. Quite a number of the streams of the locality are connected in some way with the smelters, and recently the Salt Lake city papers have been calling attention to the poisoning of stock and the destruction of certain plants along these streams.

One thing is known, that is, the cause of the tremendous loss is not a bacterial disease, because it was found in, not only ducks and geese, but other birds and even muskrats have been killed.

When it is considered that ducks are becoming so expensive it is a matter of the greatest interest, because of the fact that the millions of ducks that are killed annually from this unknown cause would be worth from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

Under existing law, 25 per cent. of the gross receipts from the forests is paid over by the states to the federal government for the benefit of county schools and roads, says the annual report of the chief forester, department of agriculture. An additional 10 per cent. is expended in building roads and trails for the benefit of the public. About \$587,000 will be available for the states during the current year from last year's receipts, besides \$235,000 provided for in the road fund. Altogether, including special funds to Arizona and New Mexico, the national forests provided nearly \$867,000 to be expended for the benefit of the states in which they are situated.

More than 700,000 acres have been acquired for national forest purposes in the southern Appalachians and White mountains, of which considerably more than half was secured during 1913.

Maud of Norway, who writes under the name of Graham Irving, as a playwright, bookbinder and a painter and "Carmen Sylva" queen of Rumania, as a poet.

Applying Officer—"I'm afraid you are not heavy enough for a cavalryman. We want men who can ride over everything whenever necessary."

Applicant—"That's all right, cap. I've been a New York chauffeur for seven years!"—Puck.

WOMAN DOCTOR WHO BRAVED INDIA DANGERS

You never can tell what a woman is going to do in these days, and the interesting thing about it is that she can generally do as she pleases.



In the old days she went along certain lines, whether she enjoyed them or not, and was very timid about overstepping them for fear of criticism, not only by her family, but also by her dear five hundred friends. Nowadays a thing a woman does the more it seems to redound to her credit, especially when her departure from un-conventional paths is along humanitarian lines. A case in point is Dr. Arley Munson, a young American woman who, after having acquired a thorough training and taken her M. D. degree, set sail for India to see what she could do with her up-to-date methods in that far-off country, where foreign doctors are few and native doctors not always able to combat disease.

For five years Dr. Munson worked in India, not in the big cities, nor towns, but in villages and the jungles, and she battled with the ailments of the half-starved natives with extraordinary success. Not only did she give her own service, but she established

hospital, though she did not spend her time in them, for she traveled a-pluribus and pestilences. She had experiences and adventures such as fall to the lot of few women.

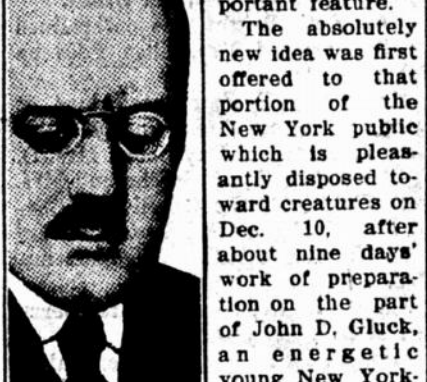
When Dr. Munson's friends asked her "Why did you leave the splendid opportunities of your own country for the discomforts and dangers of a far-off pagan land?" she felt inclined to make the submissive reply heard so frequently from the lips of the meek-voiced women of India: "Kismet! Adrustam! It was my destiny. How else should I find peace?"

The desire to visit India and help the natives seized Dr. Munson when she was a small child, for on turning the leaves of a mission book she found an illustration representing a Hindu mother throwing her baby into the gaping jaws of a crocodile as a sacrifice to the gods. The child asked her mother what the dreadful picture meant, and when it was explained to her she hid her tearful face, and with her heart swelling with sorrow and pity she resolved to "hurry and grow up that she might go out to India and save those poor little babies."

In the years that followed she studied the history of India and learned the tragedy of the existence of the women of that country, so that the smoldering resolve of her childhood flamed into a mature and steady determination to spend a part of her life practicing medicine and surgery in India. No sooner were her college and hospital studies completed than she left for India.

PLAYED SANTA TO THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN

The "Santa Claus Association" was a feature of the recent holiday season in New York, and, to between 16,000 and 17,000 children, a most important feature.



The absolutely new idea was first offered to that portion of the New York public which is pleasantly disposed toward creatures on Dec. 10, after about nine days' work of preparation on the part of John D. Gluck, an energetic young New York-er, without previous training in philanthropic work but who had experience as a publicity man and as an efficiency engineer.

He says that the thought grew out of something which occurred years ago, when a man starved to death in Brooklyn, although he had been living near to many prosperous people, including Gluck's own family, who glad-ly would have helped him had they known his need.

But they did not. Only certain charity workers were familiar with it and the operation of the beneficent machines they set in motion was too slow to save his life. Had he lived another day or two he would have been well cared for; but he did not live that other day or two.

Well, after that, Gluck gave much thought to matters of the sort, deciding, finally, that it might be possible to bring to the aid of the needy and the impulse to do something nearer speaking distance. The Santa Claus association was the ultimate result. It seems to have been amazingly effective.

In the fourteen days preceding Christmas it received 14,000 letters—1,000 every day—from little ones who, through them, aimed to reach to the headquarters of the Christmas spirit. A careful estimate of fact proved that these 14,000 letters represented not less than two children each upon the average. This would give a total child population of 28,000 who within two weeks grasped and acted upon the Santa Claus association idea.

It used to be the case that English- speaking countries complained of the speed with which things were being done. They did not like the rush that characterized everything, whether it was a matter of business or pleasure, and were fond of telling us, and that we did not know how to rest, and that we simply dashed through life without stopping to inquire what it meant, or really to enjoy the good things that came their way. From visiting Englishmen nowadays that complaint is seldom heard. Indeed the fashion seems to be in danger of growing up among them of trying to outstrip us in speed when they come to this side. A noteworthy example was set not long ago by no less a personage than Lord Chancellor Haldane, who took less than four days to "see" New York, make a trip to Canada and deliver an address before the annual meeting of the American Bar association at Montreal and take part in several festivities arranged in his honor.

Now the earl of Kintore, who arrived here a short time ago, was soon busy flying about the country from one place to another, attending dinners, "being presented," as they would term in England, at his meetings with the president of the meeting commercial and other bodies, and in other ways trying to follow the pace which they say in Europe is necessary in order to keep abreast of things over here.

Happening to reach his hotel in New York before Lord Kintore had got under way for his day's programme, the writer was able to find the nobleman alone for a few moments, but not un-guarded. For it appears that when the earl decided to make his present visit to this country he also made up his mind that he would not talk except upon two subjects, those being the two in whose interest he had started for this side. Those matters are the approaching centenary of peace between England and the United States and the Anglo-American exposition, which will celebrate that one hundredth anniversary.

EARL OF KINTORE PAYS VISIT TO AMERICA

Lord Kintore, who is a privy councillor and a grand commander of the order of St. Michael and St. George, is chairman of the executive committee of the Anglo-American exposition. He is the head of an old Scottish family, and one of his ancestors married the great-granddaughter of James I. of Scotland. The present earl is the ninth holder of his title. For some years he was governor of South Australia, where he was very popular. He is also popular in England.

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J. B. DUKE MAY BECOME A BRITISH SUBJECT

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Asserts Pig is a Gentleman. The pig is a gentleman, despite his diet, says Dr. Austin Peters, a leading agriculturist. He is naturally one of the finest "gentlemen" in the land, and should be treated as such. Dr. Peters was talking on the raising and care of poultry and swine. "The pig is naturally a gentleman," said he. "It is a man who has made his home in it. The popular idea that broken glass, empty cans and tin covers are appreciated as a diet by swine is one of the popular fallacies. Neither do they appreciate lemon rinds, orange peels and banana skins. The pig should have a clean, dry bed to sleep in; its pen should be kept clean, and it should be properly fed."

Character Told by Thumb. In telling the character, and from a mechanical point of view, the thumb is important. The loss of the right thumb is held at 35 per cent. of the value of the whole hand; of the left 15 per cent. The index finger is rated next on the right hand at 20 per cent.

TO MAKE PERFECT DUMPLINGS

Really is No Great Secret, Though Some Housewives Fail to Make a Success of It.

The ability to make really good dumplings is to be desired in these days of high prices; and if we can get as much food value from half the quantity of meat, while adding to it a palatable and digestible amount of dumplings, we will get a better proportion of protein to the needs of the body. Dumplings made by the following recipe will be light and dry, and will be found excellent to serve with chickens, guinea fowl or veal, and may be reheated in the gravy in a casserole. They may be made successful-ly if taken to keep the liquid at the simmering point, and not let boil rapidly after the dumplings are dropped in. Have the gravy thinner than is wanted to serve, as it will thicken some-what with the cooking of the dumplings.

For five persons, beat one egg till smooth and light, add one cup of sweet milk, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of salt, and four enough to make a stiff batter. Mix one teaspoonful of baking powder with the last of the flour, and beat well. Drop by teaspoonful into the hot gravy, cover and cook 15 minutes. Dish around the edge of a deep plate, the meat and gravy in the middle.

OLD STYLE OF POTTED BEEF

Nothing Better Has Been Devised Than This Method That Was Used by Our Grandmothers.

Take a good piece of a round of beef and cut off all the fat. Rub the lean well with salt and let it lie two days. Then put it into a jar and add to it a little water in the proportion of half a pint to three pounds of meat. Cover the jar as closely as possible (the best cover will be a coarse paste or dough) and set it in a slow oven or in a vessel of boiling water for about four hours. Then drain off all the gravy and set the meat before the fire that all the moisture may be drawn out. Pull or cut it to pieces and pound it for a long time in a mortar with pepper, allspice, cloves, mace, nutmeg and melted butter, adding these ingredients gradually and moistening it with a little of the gravy. You must pound it to a fine paste, or till it becomes of the consistency of cream cheese.

Put it into the potted cans and cover it an inch thick with fresh butter that has been melted, skimmed and strained. Tie a leather over each pot and keep them closely covered. Set them in a dry place.

Game and poultry may be potted in this manner. From the use of melted fresh butter, instead of paraffin in sealing, and other points in this recipe, it will be simply suggestive and a good study for adaptation to modern conditions by those who desire to put up some of this delicacy for special occasion or emergencies.

Angels on Horseback.

In spite of its name, this dish is a close relative of our older friends "pigs in blankets." To make these tid-bits, wrap each pig plump oyster, drained and dried and seasoned with salt and pepper, in a nice, thinly sliced blanket of bacon. Skewer with a wooden toothpick and stick two cloves in the fat end of each oyster. Cook in a hot frying pan or the chafing dish blazer until the bacon is crisp and the "angel" or "pig," as you choose to call it, is ruffled around its edges. Serve on small squares of toast with a garnish of watercress and an olive or tiny pickle as an appropriate finish.

Cupid Wafers.

Beat one-half cup of softened butter to a cream and gradually beat into it the following in order given: One-half cup powdered sugar, grated rind of one lemon, one cup of strained honey, and two cups of sifted flour. Spread thinly on buttered tins in round forms about two inches in diameter and bake in moderate oven till browned slightly. Let stand for a minute then lift carefully and roll over a round stick. Very dainty to serve at St. Valentine's party. Tie each roll to two together with ribbon and serve with the ice.

Poor Man's Sauce.

Mince an onion finely. Fry it in a little dripping until it is tender, then pour over it a glass of vinegar and a glass of water or broth, and a little pepper and salt. Let the sauce simmer gently for a few minutes, then add a tablespoon of mushroom ketchup. This sauce is to be served with young roast turkey. Sufficient for three or four persons.

Painted Flat Irons.

One neat housekeeper's flat irons were painted with aluminum paint, such as is used to give a silvery appearance to radiators and stove pipes. She says it keeps them in perfect condition, preventing them from rusting. They were treated to a coat once a year. Of course the flat face of the iron is not touched with the paint.

Old English Cripps.

One cup sugar, one-half cup butter, one and one-half cups molasses, three cups flour. Melt the butter and the other ingredients, mix well together and drop by small spoonfuls far apart on a greased flat baking tin. Bake in a rather slow oven, remove from the tin with a broad bladed knife and place over the edge of a bowl to curl and cool.

Whiten Scorching Linen.

When white linen has been scorching in the ironing, wet it with soapuds, and lay it in the sun, if the scorch is a slight one. If this does not remove the scorch, boil the piece in milk and soap in the proportion of a quarter of a pound of soap to a quart of milk.

Butter Toffee.

Very good toffee is made with one pound of sugar, one-half pound of butter, one-quarter pound of stimp, a pinch of salt, a little water and two table-spoons of vinegar, which last-named should be added just before the toffee is done.

AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

It is the reproach oftenest brought against the colored laborer that he loves pleasure too well to work steadily week in and week out the year round, and the charge is well founded, though it is equally true as regards a part of the native whites. Happy-go-lucky habits inherited from slave ancestors are in large part responsible for the disbelief of the whites in the manifold improvement in the material condition of the colored people. "Cannors dress and dine" is the motto of the colored laborer in apt to run off to a camp-meeting or take a trip to Baltimore when the cannery is busiest. Housewives are driven nearly mad by the impossibility of knowing whether the cook will report for duty on any given morning. When spring comes and the men have regular work and wages, the women desert the kitchens and let their husbands or lovers support them. With late autumn, when the farm work is done and many farm laborers are idle, the women are glad to go back to the kitchen in order that there may be money for the household. Thrift is a lesson that the descendant of the slave is slow in learning.

In spite of much idleness, however, and extravagant indulgence in pleasure, the colored people of the Chesapeake basin are vastly transformed for the better in outward aspect within the past generation. The colored folk that crowd the villages on Saturday night are far better dressed than many European peasant proprietors. Indeed, the colored man's improvidence is apt to take the form of over-indulgence in the eastern shore of Virginia, finding himself with more than \$2,000 in bank at the end of the season, bought five vehicles of various kinds. The bicycle is already much used by the colored people, and it will not be many years before colored men in the Chesapeake basin will be seen driving their own autos.—A. E. Vallandigham.

The clinic of the negro school is showing every day more plainly the price southern white people have paid for their neglect of the problem of the backward race. A cook in a famous Nashville hotel, followed to her home, was found to house in a cellar beneath a foul tenement, to the last degree unsanitary. From this she passed daily to the preparation of food for fastidious whites. A student nurse found a colored baby sick of a contagious disease lying staring up at a clothesline stretched across the crowded, untidy cabin, on which hung the spotless linen destined to be sent back to an exclusive white home.

Here in the north the doctrine of social interdependence has been pretty thoroughly learned. We know, if we do not live up to our knowledge, that the rich pay a terrible toll for the degradation of the poor. In the south, it would seem, there has been too much trust among the less inquiring classes that the negro's sins against sanitation would react only upon himself. They are awake now. Five thousand students in southern colleges are this year studying Dr. Weather-bank's book on the race problem. The rank and file are coming to see that the tying up of negro religion with social hygiene is likely to have results incalculably important to the whole south.—Mary Bronson Hart, in the Boston Transcript.

Fifteen thousand colored men in Paris are forming a trades union to resist the efforts of the white workmen, who are claimed to be attempting to prevent the colored men from getting an increase in pay. The union will include chauffeurs, hotel porters, domestic servants and others.

To the Department of Public Instruction and Fine Arts of Spain has been allotted \$63,000 for use toward establishing and improving workshops of the country's industrial schools.

Canada is nearly 30 times as large as Great Britain and Ireland, the total area of the Dominion being only 237,000 square miles less than the whole continent of Europe.

A Freiburg physician reported in his practice alone seven persons whose eyes were permanently injured by gazing at the sun during the progress of an eclipse.

The average woman can get more exhilaration out of a cheap compliment than a man can out of a quart of champagne.

The United States patent office last year granted 38,754 patents. In the same period 21,427 patents expired.

Searchlights are to be found mounted on the observation platforms of some western railroad trains.

The largest and highest cactus in the world is found in Arizona. It is 232 feet in height.

Many of the whites in the Chesapeake basin believe that their colored fellow-citizens are not improving materially, morally and intellectually, but he that has known the region for 30 years or so, and who returns to it with a fresh eye, cannot fail to note the improvement that has taken place in that time. The statistics of farming alone in the period between 1906 and 1910 are convincing as to the recent economic improvement of the colored man. In Maryland, Delaware and Virginia, as in many other states, the actual acreage in farming decreased in the decade 1900-1910, but in each of those states the number of colored farmers owning their land decidedly increased. In Delaware the increase was from 332 in 1900 to 406 in 1910; in Maryland, from 3,262 to 3,950; in Virginia, from 26,566 to 32,228.

In each of these states colored tenant farmers are being converted into land owners, for in each the number of tenants is decreasing, while the whole number of negro farmers is increasing. The value of farm lands and buildings owned by colored laborers was more than \$32,500,000, and colored tenants and managers were entrusted with the administration of farm lands and buildings to the value of nearly \$25,000,000. Thus the colored farmers of the Chesapeake basin are now in the ownership or occupancy of farm lands and buildings to the value of more than \$58,000,000. A generation ago, when the colored people were still almost within the shadow of slavery, a prosperous negro farmer was a rare sight in the Chesapeake basin. In that region the system common in the cotton states of turning over from 20 to 100 acres of land to be cultivated to cotton by a single slave family was little practiced, so that the colored people were not ready to be turfed into tenant farmers, and then into land owners. A few free colored persons had owned land in Delaware, Maryland and Virginia while yet slavery flourished.—Baltimore American.

Twenty-two years ago Jonas W. Thomas, a negro of Marlborough county, South Carolina, began his career as a farmer by buying an old horse for \$40.75, and by renting 30 acres of South Carolina land for 1,400 pounds of lint cotton. After four years of hard work and close saving he was able to buy a mule for \$65 and also 67 acres of land. Then he began renting and working farms which belonged to other men. Gradually he was able to buy the land he had been renting. He also found it worth while to open a commissary.

Now Thomas lives in a 12 room house and employs on his \$40,000 plantation, 39 families, consisting of 199 men, women and children. He grows a variety of crops, including cotton, corn, and some garden truck, and raises his own horses, mules, cows and hogs. He has received as much as \$21,000 for his cotton crop alone—400 bales of long staple. On an average he has saved \$3,000 a year for 22 years. All that he now has on his farm is his own, "directly and indirectly," he affirms with justifiable pride. In a single year he has borrowed of one local bank and repaid \$23,000. "Good credit," so Thomas says, "explains a fair share of my success."

There are floating "movies" in the Netherlands.

A bill was introduced in the senate by Senator Kenyon, of Iowa providing for the expenditure of \$200,000, the balance remaining in the hands of the freedmen's bureau, for the construction of a home for aged and infirm colored persons in the District of Columbia.

When navigation officially opened April 24, there were in elevators, on steamers and on railroad cars at Ft. William and Fort Arthur, at the head of Lake Superior, more than 42,750,000 bushels of grain awaiting transportation.

British exports to Mexico during the first ten months of this year were considerably greater than during similar periods of the two preceding years.

There are 438 iron mines in the United States, employing 65,170 persons, and costing for operation and development \$74,017,830.

A gas buoy broke away from its moorings in the St. Lawrence and drifted for two years, covering a distance of 18,000 miles.

The total production of coal in China at present reaches almost 10,000,000 tons a year.

A patent has been issued for a pencil-holding clip to be fastened to a person's ear.

The homes of this country require about \$23,887,000 worth of furniture each year.

The total output of Idaho's various metal mines last year set a new high record.

Wages in Victoria, Australia, have increased almost 25 per cent. in 20 years.

An acre of wheat needs 60 tons of water a month.

Gossip is a deadly gas that is fatal to friendship.

Japan has 3,000 miles of steam railways.

Good talkers are usually poor writers.

Argentina is to import 300 goats for a new milk supply.

Undertakers are men who follow the medicine profession.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The Willing Workers club met with Mrs. June Burt of 2816 Chicago ave. last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. B. S. Smith was host to the T. S. T. C. club Wednesday evening at his residence on Oakland avenue.

Mr. Earnest James is still confined to his home with pneumonia.

Master Leon Abbey played a violin solo at the Madame Bruce recital.

The foundation for the new \$6,000 home for the Crispus Attucks orphanage, an old folks' home, has been completed.

Mrs. Edward Hammonds of Clinton avenue is confined to her bed. We hope to see her out again soon.

St. Peter's A. M. E. church held its second quarterly conference Wednesday evening, January 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Eldridge have returned home, after an absence of four weeks visiting in Philadelphia, New Jersey and New York City.

Mrs. Mattie Neal and Mrs. R. L. Buttner were recent visitors of Mrs. T. W. Lewis of St. Paul.

The Twin City Missionary Alliance met with Mrs. Mattie Neal, 1823 Fifth avenue South, last Friday.

There were thirty present and a splendid program was rendered.

Miss Jennie Hardy of Oskaloosa, Iowa, and Mr. George Hall, formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, were quietly married January 14th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hawkins, 720 Bryant avenue North. Rev. E. G. Jackson officiated.

Madame Bruce, the Oklahoma song bird, sang at the Pence auditorium on February 4th. Those who heard her say she is indeed a song bird.

Minneapolis appreciates very much the anxiety of our saintly sister concerning her absence. However, we do stay "awake" long enough to note the absence of our saintly sister's column occasionally.

Dr. Boyd of Nashville, Tenn., spoke at the Sunday Forum at St. Peter's A. M. E. church last Sunday. He

says there are enough negroes in the northwest to own and operate a bank so as to give employment to our boys and girls. That we need not expect the whites to push their boys and girls out to employ ours.

The Woman's Mite Missionary society will hold a special meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Mattie Neal, Friday afternoon.

DAVENPORT, IOWA.

Mrs. Ruth Bright, W. G. M. of O. E. S. for Iowa and jurisdiction, returned home on the 8th inst., after making a successful tour over her work.

Mrs. Flora Mitchell, who has been visiting her daughters at Little Rock, Ark., returned home on the 8th inst.

Mrs. Mary Eliza Tappan of New York City is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. F. K. Nicholson. Mrs. Tappan will remain in the city for some time.

The Third Baptist church is planning for a \$1,000 rally, commencing with a \$2.00 rally this Sunday. Every member is to give \$2.00.

Programs are out for the Keokuk district conference, which will be held in Bethel A. M. E. church March 18 and 19, 1914. Rev. I. N. Daniels, P. E., has arranged a full and up-to-date program for this session of his district conference.

Mrs. Ella Delward and Mrs. E. Buckner of Galesburg, Ill., were over Sunday visitors in our city. They worshipped at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning.

MOBERLY, MO., NOTES.

Last Saturday morning at an early hour the death angel came into our midst and wafted the spirit of little Lucile Russell into eternity. She was greatly loved by all who knew her.

She attended Lincoln school and was a member of the Rose Bud Juvenile lodge. We extend our profoundest sympathy to the bereaved family in their dark hour of sorrow.

Mr. Clyde Kiser, our proficient undertaker, carried the remains to Salisbury, Mo., to be laid to rest.

Progressive lodge, No. 171, met Monday evening in their regular monthly meeting with a large attendance.

Last Thursday afternoon the E. club met at Mrs. Harry Lowery's. Quite a dainty repast was served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. F. D. Avant, with Mrs. L. B. Quinn, president.

Mr. Emery Jackson from Des Moines, Iowa, was the welcome guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Black and Mrs. Harriet Boone on Sunday. While in our city he was delightfully entertained at the home of Prof. and Mrs. L. B. Quinn, also Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bartlett, and we trust that Mr. and Mrs. Jackson will visit quite soon again in our city. As it will be remembered, Mrs. Jackson was formerly a Moberly girl, nee Miss Mattie Boone.

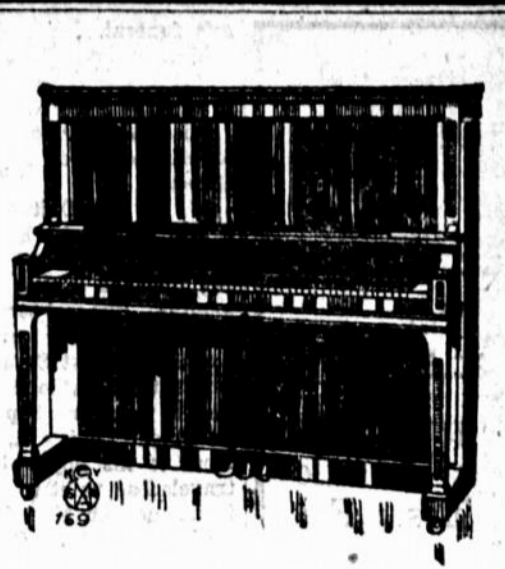
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Mrs. Chambers of Monmouth was in our city last week on business. While in the city she was the guest of Mrs. Ambrose Jackson.

Mrs. E. J. Thomas has been quite ill.

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indisposed, but is much improved.

Mr. Welch was a passenger on an interurban car at Iowa City on July 11, 1912, and witnessed a collision between said car and an automobile.

His testimony is desired and he will be compensated for his time and expenses. Any definite information as to his services will be compensated for. Communicate with Bystander office or direct with Chas. M. Dutcher, Iowa City, Iowa. Reward will be paid for reliable information.

CLINTON, IOWA.

The revival meetings at the Second Baptist church are progressing nicely. So far there have been twelve conversions and two added to the church as full members.

Revs. Sanders and Lee were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Payne, 422 North Second street, on last Thursday.

The committee in charge of the work which is being so rapidly pushed to completion at the A. M. E. church by the paper hangers and painters are doing good work.

Many in Clinton received with regret the sad news of the death of a former pastor of Bethel church, Rev. R. Holly, at his home in Cedar Rapids. His death came as a surprise.

Grandma Parm's condition is such that she has been removed to a hospital for treatment. Owing to her age she is necessarily quite feeble.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenkins were the hosts at dinner Sunday to Revs. Sanders and Lee. In the evening they were again entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robinson at supper.

The meetings at the Second Baptist church will come to a close some time this week. The service of baptism will take place Sunday.

From advices received the editor of the Bystander will be in Clinton next week, at which time he will call on delinquent subscribers. This is the last call before he comes. See the local representative and settle up before Mr. Thompson comes.

Quarterly meeting will be held on March 1st. We expect Rev. Daniels, P. E., to be with us.

The annual election of officers and teachers of Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school took place on last Sunday as follows: Superintendent, M. O. Culbertson, re-elected; assistant superintendent, Mrs. E. S. Heron; cradle roll superintendent, S. V. Emerson, re-elected; secretary, A. A. Bush, re-elected; treasurer, Mrs. M. O. Culbertson, re-elected; organist, Mrs. S. V. Emerson, re-elected; chorister, A. A. Bush; librarian, Calude Heron, re-elected; assistant librarian, Eugene Stewart, re-elected; teachers, Rev. G. W. Slater, Miss M. Sayles, Miss E. Culbertson, Mrs. G. W. Slater, Mrs. E. S. Heron, Mrs. S. V. Emerson.

Three accessions to Bethel A. M. E. church membership is a recent occurrence.

NOTICE.

Information Wanted—Information is desired as to the whereabouts of Logan Welch, colored, height about 5 feet, 6 inches; weight, 160 pounds; not exceptionally dark; about 40



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College Course in Politics.

To Columbia university belongs the credit of offering the first course designed to give students a practical knowledge of the conduct of political affairs. That institution has asked the bureau of municipal research in New York to give the members of the class the benefit of the experience it has derived from the study of the affairs of that city, and the invitation has been accepted. The growing demand for the adoption of the scientific methods of city government lends support to the view that college men will be in demand in this department of the public service, hence the propriety and usefulness of a university course established on the lines indicated by the innovation at Columbia.

Haitians a Lazy Lot.

Sydney Brooks, writing to the London Chronicle about Haiti, says the Haitians were the first people in the world to abolish slavery, and Mrs. C. R. Miller, writing in Leslie's Weekly, says of Haiti: "In that little republic, covering about 10,000 square miles, within five days' sail of New York, one may encounter more strange complications and a greater disregard for human life than in the remote countries of the east. Situated in the very heart of the West Indies, where civilization exists in a high degree, Haiti alone has kept her doors closed to progress. She became an independent state more than 100 years ago. Her rich lands were already under cultivation, but the lazy natives allowed the plantations to go to ruin, and for sets have grown up instead."

Farm Employment for Criminals.

Gov. Harris of Ohio believes that criminals can be employed on a farm with advantage to themselves and the state. He proposes that prisoners in the penitentiary who are not confirmed criminals be transferred to the reformatory and put to work on the state farm. "It is the conditions of our cities that breed crime," says the governor. "Most of it can be traced to idleness and drink, and idleness is frequently the cause of drink. There is little drink in the country and practically no idleness if the young man who had slipped over the bounds of law were taught scientific farming; he would come to like it and escape the associates who carry him down when he returns to the city."

Milk an Intoxicant.

New York City alone consumes annually 840,000,000 quarts of milk. We drink 2,300,000 quarts a day. And this does not include mothers' milk for infants; just cows' milk—watered and unwatered, for both infants and adults. "Milk," says Emerson, "is readily made intoxicating in warm climates simply by agitation. This feature was quickly discovered." Being placed in a skin and slung from the shoulder or over the back it was agitated by the motion of the hunter, and fermentation was soon well under way. The skin was undoubtedly none too clean, some milk of the previous day being left in it, which would

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Charles G. Dawes' Good Advice to Young Men in Business.

This is a hard world in business. It always has been and always will be. There are many good and generous men in it. There are many who will lend a helping hand to you in your adversity, but in the time of need you will not find them among the men who tried to get you to embark in speculation with your little surplus, and to sell you something which would help you to "easy money." Be self-reliant. Make your own investment into investments. When you cannot put your money in a good savings bank. Distrust the financial demagogues as you distrust the political demagogue. Keep your hand on your pocketbook as you travel life. First, to give always in proportion to your means to those who are poorer; second, to hold from those who would take through force or fraud what you need for yourself and yours. You will then, writes Mr. Dawes in the Saturday Evening Post, have your hand where most of the other fellows have only their eyes. In this alone you will have the advantage of them.

Rare Washington Portrait.

A rare and curious mezzotint portrait of George Washington in the library of the late Lafayette S. Richardson of Lowell, Mass., was auctioneered last year in Boston. It is entitled "George Washington, late president of the United States of America, etc." It is a small folio and is colored by hand. It looks as much like George III as it does the Father of His Country. Baker, who wrote the "Engraved Portraits of Washington," says that only one impression of this mezzotint has come under the notice of the writer. It was in neither the Clarkson nor the Carson sale of Washington portraits.

Insist on Yellow Flour.

Charles Christadoro, an expert on flour and grains, sounds the keynote of the new situation brought about by the bleached flour decision when he says in a communication to the editor commenting on the bleached flour decision: "The housewife will now insist on yellow linted or creamy flour, and will learn to realize that a natural flour very white can in no manner compare with the creamy or yellow flour in so far as gluten and muscle building values are concerned. As from 85 to 90 per cent of the large flour mills of the country were using this bleaching process, the decision is far-reaching."—National Food Magazine

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SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mrs. Ruth B. Bright of Davenport, Iowa, W. G. M. of Elsta chapter, O. E. S. for Iowa and its jurisdiction, made her official visit to Naomi chapter, No. 7, Tuesday evening, February 24. She delivered an interesting and instructive lecture, which was greatly appreciated by all the members. At the close of the address the chapter tendered a reception in her honor, the Masons and their families also being guests. A two-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Bright departed Wednesday morning for Clarinda, Iowa.

The grand master, Mr. John L. Thompson, of the M. W. United Grand Lodge of Iowa and its jurisdiction, made his annual official visit to Decatur lodge, No. 14, on January 31.

Rev. J. H. Garrison has returned from Excelsior Springs, where he spent a two weeks' vacation. He reports having enjoyed a splendid trip and to have been greatly benefited by the treatment taken while there.

Mt. Zion Baptist church has just closed a series of revival meetings. Mrs. Cora Harrison, who has been on the sick list, is reported to be convalescent at this writing.

Mrs. M. H. Spencer was hostess to the Art and Culture club at its last meeting.

Mrs. J. Wilbur Morris will be hostess to the A. I. P. club at their pleasure evening Friday, January 20th.

The Servo club are preparing to give a Valentine social and chicken supper at the A. M. E. church on Friday, February 13th.

Mr. Arthur Webb has returned from a business trip to Clarinda, Iowa.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

There was quite a large attendance at McKinley Baptist church on the 1st of February, the go to church Sunday. About 250 attended all day. Rev. Whitfield preached a lovely sermon in the evening. His text was, Day of Choice.

Mrs. Brown of Providence, Rhode Island, is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. Davis, on Thirtieth street.

Miss Celeste Ewing was quietly married on Saturday, January 31, to Mr. Neal Davis. We extend them our congratulations.

Mrs. Bassett is very sick at her home. We hope she will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Conley of Chicago, Ill., are stopping at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Enoch.

Mrs. J. Slaughter is seriously ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Turner of Omaha, Neb., are stopping at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Pollard.

The Progressive Art club met with Mrs. Phoenix last Wednesday evening. The meeting was well attended.

Mr. R. B. Montgomery of Milwaukee, Wis., was a caller at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ligon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper are the proud parents of a baby girl.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Windsor's father is better at this writing.

Miss Mattie Lilly has been very sick again at her residence, 724 Fourteenth street.

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FORT MADISON NEWS.

The Willing Workers club met with Rev. and Mrs. Bowles on Tuesday evening. After the regular routine of business the hostess served a two-course luncheon.

There will be a concert and social at the A. M. E. church Tuesday evening. Rev. Owens is working very hard to get the church out of debt.

The ice harvest is on and it will give a great many of our men work.

There will be a Lincoln entertainment Thursday evening at the Second Baptist church. A program will be rendered and supper will be served.

Mrs. E. J. Thomas attended the Star meeting in Keokuk on Thursday. While there she was the guest of Mrs. Henry Harris at their new home, 1628 Orleans avenue.

Mrs. Ambrose Jackson is much improved at this writing.

Miss Susie Ewing is quite sick at her home on Fifth street. Her many friends hope to see her out soon.

The White Rose club will meet with Mrs. Eubanks at her parlors on Front street.

Mrs. E. J. Thomas was entertained at a 6 o'clock dinner while in Keokuk on Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith at 1609 Times street.

Rev. and Mrs. Bowles are in Keokuk this week, but will return the last of the week to be with the Second Baptist church Sunday.

WATERLOO NEWS.

Mrs. W. D. Corral and baby, Curtis, who have been ill, are better.

Mrs. C. Clayton is very ill at her home at 211 Cottage street.

Mrs. C. Ferguson is ill at St. Mary's hospital.

Mr. C. Jones, who has been visiting our city, has returned to his home in Ohio.

Mr. O. C. Jones and his wife, who have been residing in our city, have returned to Water Valley, Mississippi.

Mr. Samuel Everett has left the city for Valden, Miss., to meet his people.

Mrs. Margaret Fairbanks, who was visiting the city, was entertained Thursday by Mrs. J. Hopkins.

Mrs. Kitty Richardson, who has been ill, is better.

Mrs. A. Adkins, who has been out of town for the past week, will return the latter part of the week.

Mr. S. C. Smith is very ill at his home on Mullan avenue.

Mr. H. Parker is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ferguson celebrated their first wedding anniversary last week.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. H. Logan, who were recently married.

Mr. J. H. Brown is ill at his home on Bates street.

The ladies who belong to the Sunday club are planning to organize themselves within the club.

HEALTH HINTS.

A. J. Booker, M. D.

Early impressions are lasting unless some experience does a lot of erasing. Evil impressions leave deeper marks than good ones; it is because good is natural and expected and evil is unnatural and shocking. Most of us are the results, in action, of our early training, unless we had a very decided school of experience which was entirely different and neutralized the first lessons; even then we had to unlearn the first lessons. It is a waste of time and energy to learn things wrong; it is better to know less than to know so much of what is not so. Of course it is true that some people drift into right channels which is good for them, but you cannot depend on a drift. So it is well to stick to beaten lines unless you are dead sure that you are a genius—they belong to another class, and I am writing about the normal, average individual.

These boys and girls of ours are going to be men pretty soon and they are picking up ideas of life right now. A boy does not wait until he is able to vote before he has opinions. Most of us think opinions come with whiskers and families. The reason we do not hear more of boy's opinions is because we do not talk to them seriously and respect them.

Your boy knows pretty well your opinion of yourself and the race and of life. He has some, too, but you do not ask them. He hears you say that the Negro lawyer is no good, that the Negro engineer can't survey, that the Negro business man is a fake and that all the Negro ministers are a fake and that it is presumptuous for a Negro to attempt the practice of dentistry and medicine. He is taught, at school all about Washington and the other historical characters. When he does hear of a worthy Negro he finds out that he is a long time dead. He hears you talking about live men of other races, for whom you would sell your soul. One day you wonder why he wants to quit school and get a job. After he gets the job you wonder why he does not save his money and perhaps go into some sort of business. What business, pray? Who have you helped to succeed in any business that it might be an example to him? He has your views and sticks to them. His early impressions are lasting.

The success of that Negro in your town is more than a matter of the individual; it is a matter of inspiration or discouragement to the young people in your town. These failures and successes are almost purely racial at this stage of our development. Most of the men who go at things are in some manner prepared; not all of them come up to ideal standard, but it is hard to reach ideals of culture and professions and business if a man has not money to give some leisure for thought. Your support, moral and financial, will help. It will help more than the man; it will help the boys and girls. When business gets large men need assistants and your boy or girl is the logical and practical recipient of the job. Did you ever notice how the other fellow works it?

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OTTUMWA, IOWA.

W. S. Page is on the sick list, suffering with a severe cold.

Miss Helen Williams and Harry Robinson were united in marriage on Saturday night, Rev. A. N. Webb officiating.

Miss Leora Wilson and Mr. Breedlove were married Monday evening, Rev. A. N. Webb officiating.

Mrs. Allie Gilbert is very sick at her home.

The series of meetings will continue this week. Rev. A. N. Webb is being assisted by Presiding Elder S. B. Moore.

Mrs. Mary Green is confined to her home with a severe cold.

Mrs. E. W. Fowler and daughter, Mrs. E. C. Hall, entertained a number of friends Sunday at the home of Mrs. E. W. Fowler in honor of the birthday of Mr. Fowler. A four-course dinner was served and we wish Mr. Fowler many more happy birthdays.

QUINCY ITEMS.

The following persons are on the sick list: Mrs. Maria Hughes, Mrs. Lucy Perkins and Mrs. Amy Johnson.

The lodges of the city had a stag party on Monday night and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely.

Sunday is quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. church. Rev. J. H. Higgins is now stationed pastor at Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church.

Mr. W. A. Lilly is still very poorly at his home.

Miss M. A. Smith was summoned to her home in Louisiana, Mo., to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Carrie Smith.

At Turner hall on the 12th the Culture club celebrated the anniversary of Lincoln's birth. An excellent program was rendered to a fair sized audience.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Rev. Cooper of Chicago is conducting revival meetings at the Second Baptist church. They are having good

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ECONOMY BASEMENT

services and good attendance.

Sunday was stewardesses day at the A. M. E. church. They had a program at night. It was quite a success.

Rev. W. W. Williams was called to Galesburg, Ill. last week on account of the serious illness of his nephew, Mr. Davis.

Mr. George Berry of Rock Island spent a few days in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. Leah Berry.

Miss Wilma Brooks has returned home from Rock Island called by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Mary Brooks.

Mr. Arthur Burnaugh is spending a few days in Burlington, Iowa.

CHIPS FROM THE QUARRY.

The forty-fourth annual session of the Florida Grand Masonic lodge just closed a successful session in her new \$100,000 Masonic Temple at Jacksonville.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons also just closed its session, also the Bethlehem Grand Chapter of Eastern Star and the Most Worshipful Union Heroes of Jericho, also the Union Grand Commandary Knights Templar all just closed their annual meeting.

Bro. August Walsdorf was recently raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Mt. Moriah Lodge, New Orleans, his elder son sitting in the East as worshipful master, with five other sons present.

King Oudh, a Mohammedan, an East Indian, was made a Mason in Friendship Lodge, No. 6, London, England. A volume of the koran was used in the initiation, which was furnished by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the candidate was obligated on it by the worshipful master, who was an English clergyman.

Wednesday night I visited my home lodge, North Star, No. 2, which has weathered the storm in this city for forty years. This old landmark has furnished more grand masters and has the largest membership and strongest financially in this jurisdiction. We met about thirty Masons. There were several visitors. The G. S. W., Bro. S. Joe Brown, was present. A good and instructive meeting was held. The next evening I visited Doric lodge, No. 30, on the East Side. Here we met about thirty members. I was very enthusiastically received, and I had with me Past G. M. E. Joseph H. Shepard, Past G. M. E. T. Banks, Present G. S. W. S. Joe Brown and four ministers of the gospel. It was a splendid meeting. The old ancient landmarks were attentively listened to and enthusiastically applauded. The lodge is in good condition. They have just bought a piece of property, where they will soon move to their permanent home.

UNIVERSITY CLUB.

(Special to Bystander.) Iowa City, Iowa.—The M. C. T. club, composed of university women, has been having some very helpful

and enthusiastic meetings. Some of the most interesting features have been a paper on "American Negroes," by Miss Mabel Morgan. This was truly excellent and a rousing discussion followed, led by Miss Southall and Miss McClain. At the meeting of February 7th Miss Southall talked on "Social Life at Howard University," after which the subject was open for general discussion. Then Miss London made some very good and emphatic statements on "The Inadvisability of a Literary Criterion Club." After the adjournment of the club a social hour followed.

February 14th the club meets with Miss McClain at 1011 Wood Lawn. The following program will be rendered: Quotations from Negroes; remarks by president; address, "The Northern Girl in the South," by W. H. Lowry.

M. Graves, President.

MASON CITY, IOWA.

Mr. Scott Davis of Fort Dodge was in the city a few days last week, being called here on account of the death of Mr. Arthur Eaton.

Mr. Chas. Brewton has been on the sick list for the last few days.

Mr. Henry Cable was tendered a surprise party Sunday by his friends, it being his birthday.

Rev. F. D. Woodford, our able pastor, has been holding revival meetings this week, with the assistance of Rev. W. J. Deboe of St. Joe, Mo., and Rev. W. H. Wheeler, presiding elder of the K. C. district.

Rev. W. J. Deboe of St. Joe, Mo., is in the city assisting Rev. F. D. Woodford in revival meetings. Too much cannot be said of Rev. Deboe as a spiritual preacher and evangelist. His work is most wonderful. Sunday afternoon he addressed the Epworth League on divine power.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Wm. Carter on Friday evening and completed a quilt, which they presented to Rev. F. D. Woodford on Friday evening. It was a fine piece of needle work. Each lady placed her name thereon.

Sunday was quarterly meeting day here and Rev. W. H. Wheeler presided. The day was very cold and bad, but the church was full. At noon a free lunch was served in the church basement, with plenty of good things to eat, just a good old fashioned dinner. In the afternoon the Lord's supper was administered. The whole day was spent in service.

Rev. Wheeler, Rev. Deboe and Rev. Woodford have been well received in the homes this week. Among some who have entertained them are Mrs. J. Banning, Mrs. J. D. Reeler, Mrs. F. Allen, Mrs. W. Carter, Mrs. P. Scott, Mrs. M. Brewton, Mrs. F. Wright, Mrs. Caldwell and others.

Misses Pearl and Eunice Corral have returned from Fairfield, Iowa, where they went to attend their father's funeral.

Mrs. Arthur Eaton left for the country this week to visit a week with Mr. and Mrs. V. Warren.

Miss J. A. Dixon very pleasantly entertained a few friends Sunday afternoon.

Obituary.

Mr. Arthur M. Eaton died Sunday evening, February 18, 1914, after being confined to his bed nearly two months. Funeral service at 9:30 Wednesday morning at Holy Family church on West Seventh street. Interment at Catholic cemetery. Mr. Eaton was born September 25, 1833, at Bajou, Louisiana, where he spent most of his boyhood days, having traveled as valet to one of the prominent men of New Orleans, La. He finally settled at Chicago with his parents. Here he was employed as bartender for a few years and in 1913 he met Miss Bernice Davis, who was visiting in the city. After which she had been employed as pianist at the Magic theater. Mr. Eaton soon followed and served in the capacity of chef at the Elks club. They were united in Marriage December 16, 1912, and on December 15, 1913, Mr. and Mrs. Eaton returned to their home at the bride's parents in Mason City. Falling in health, Mr. Eaton took to his bed. Having no near relatives, he leaves a wife and her parents to mourn his loss, but it is a consolation to know that he was duly converted and left good advice for one to follow.

Many thanks and the very highest of appreciation to those who were so kind to them in their bereavement.

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Some say that chronic constipation cannot be cured. Don't you believe it. Chamberlain's Tablets have cured others—why not you? Give them a trial. They cost only a quarter. For sale by all dealers.

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