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CITY NEWS

Mr. Elmer Richardson is reported to be improving a little this week.

Screen wire, Dawson's Hardware, Sixth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Irvin have opened a first class Rooming and Boarding House at 125 3rd street and solicits your patronage.

Mrs. Fred H. Johnson of Gravity, Iowa, is visiting her father, Mr. Henry Clay, and sister, Mrs. Wm. Gray.

Mrs. Garnett McGhee, formerly of this city, who has spent the past year in Chicago, will arrive in the city Sunday morning.

The Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs are welcome to our office next week at any time. When down town stop and give us a call. We welcome you here to the metropolis of Iowa, the greatest city in the west.

Mr. Thos. Bush has opened up a pantatorium at 1012 W. Walnut street, where he is prepared to do first class work. It is called The Perfection Cleaner and Dyers. He is a race man and we should patronize him.

Mr. E. Butler and little son and Mr. Lewis of Albia, Iowa, spent Saturday and Sunday in our city on business. They made a pleasant call at The Bystander office.

Miss Lulu Vaughn arrived here from Boston, Mass., to visit her mother. It will be remembered that Miss Vaughn is a graduate of our Des Moines high school and is now studying elocution in Boston.

Mrs. Chas. H. Comley of Webster City, Iowa, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Strawthers. Mrs. Comley will attend the sessions of the Iowa Federated Colored Women's Clubs, which convenes in the city beginning May 25th.

The Tennis club met at the home of Mrs. H. R. Grove. There were a great number out. The club will play their first game this Saturday below Sixth avenue bridge. All members are asked to be present. The final game will be played at Lake Park on May 30th. All come and have a good time.

Wanted—Several honest, industrious people to distribute Negro literature. Salary, \$60.00 per month. Prof. Nichols, Box 100, Naperville, Ill.

Madola Milgett entertained the Junior Busy Bee Sewing Circle at her home, 704 S. E. 7th street, Saturday May 16, after the usual routine of business a two course luncheon was served.

The girls of the West End Bridge club gave a kitchen utensil shower on Mrs. Robt. D. Mash at her home, 824 12th street, Tuesday evening. The shower came as a total surprise to Mrs. Mash and was greatly appreciated by her. Many useful articles were received. Each one not only brought a present but their lunch also and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Chicken wire, Dawson's Hardware, Sixth avenue.

When visiting in Omaha, Nebraska see D. G. Russell for neatly furnished rooms—all modern up-to-date houses. Phones, residence Douglass 5033; Office Douglass 3193. 1918 and 1922 Cummins street.

The Mary Church Terrel club met at the home of Mrs. Emerald Mash. The interesting features of the evening were papers read by Miss Gertrude Hyde on "Music" and Mrs. Emerald Mash on "Home Economics." Both papers were well rendered. After the program, dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Mash.

SUNDAY SERVICE AT ASBURY M. E. CHURCH.

777 W. Eleventh Street. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Battle is the Lord's," Sam. 17: 47.

Class meeting at 12 m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. Subject, "Christianity's Greatest Rival, Mohammedanism," 2nd Tim. 3:1-8. Sermon, Subject, "Good Cheer For the Needy," Psa. 9:18.

The members and friends should be present at all the services. All members of the choir are expected to be in their seats promptly at 8 o'clock. W. L. Lee, Pastor.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Sunday May 24th. 10:30 Sermon by pastor. 12 m. Sunday School. 6:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U.

7:30 p. m. Address by Mrs. W. A. Brown, field secretary for Women's Auxiliary of Western Baptist Convention. Miss Lillian Colston will also talk on the work of Roger Williams University in which she has taught during the past year. T. L. Griffith, Minister.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

10:45 a. m. Morning worship. 12 m. Sunday School. 6:45 p. m. Christian Endeavor. 7:45 p. m. Evening worship. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Members and friends are cordially extended an invitation to all meetings.

E. J. Penney, Acting Pastor. Residence 931 14th St.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES

In the event that out of town delegates are not met by a committee at the various depots, we are herewith giving directions as to how they may reach the Corinthian Baptist church. The Ingersoll or Valley Junction cars pass right by the Union Depot. Take either one of these cars and, if requested in time, the street car conductor will let you know when you get to 15th and Grand avenue; get off the car here and walk just one block north to the church.

NEW STORES OPENING.

Yesterday afternoon and last night fully 1,000 colored citizens attended the grand opening of the new drug store and the new grocery store on the corner of Ninth and Park streets. It was indeed a great sight to see such a large, well dressed and well behaved crowd of our best citizens. Our new band, called the Capital City band, of fourteen pieces, rendered some nice music from 8:15 until 10:30. The drug store gave away carnations, while the grocery store gave away a large 12x14 picture. It was a splendid exhibition of what the race can do if they will only stick together, work together and trade with those of us in business.

Lawn mowers sharpened and repaired. Dawson's Hardware, 6th Ave.

A. C. FISHER RETURNED FROM ATLANTA, GA.

He reports it a fine place. He goes with the white Shriners every year. He took a trip to Dallas, Texas, last year and expects to go to Seattle, Wash., next spring. He visited the Bethel A. M. E. church, which holds 1,000 people, and he said it was fine. He spent three hours in Nashville, three hours in Louisville, Ky., two hours in Bowling Green, Ky., and says all of these places are fine.

DR. BOOKER RETURNED.

Dr. A. J. Booker our popular physician, has just returned from Sioux City, where he had been attending the annual state meeting of the Medical Association, and the Sioux City daily papers give him special mention, especially about his address on "Tuberculosis and Its Remedy." We are sorry that we have not space to run these clippings, yet our readers are familiar with the writings of Dr. Booker.

Lawn mowers cheapest at Dawson's Hardware, Sixth avenue.

IOWA WOMAN'S CLUBS ON SEGREGATION.

Will be Called Upon To Take a Stand For or Against Race Segregation.

On next week there will come to our city the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs in their annual session. It will be representative from every viewpoint, all parts of the state, all classes, all the different religious denominations will be here, while there doubtless will be many questions of general interest to the welfare of the race. Yet one question that has worked up the citizens of Des Moines in particular is a proposition to establish a school and home for the Negro girls and teach them some useful trade, art or domestic science in or near our city. Recently a mass meeting was held at one of our local churches to consider the feasibility of such a school or home in Iowa and they went on record as opposing such an institution, which in my humble judgment was right. I want to emphasize this fact and be placed on record as opposing drawing the color line, segregation or Jim Crowing our own selves. I have lived in Iowa at one time when there was no segregation or special seats or columns set aside for colored people. I am utterly opposed to it and today our rights, privileges and accommodations are being curbed and narrowed down little by little until Iowa will be like most of the southern states. The worst thing that we have had to bring this segregation idea is this: Jim Crow Afro-American column we have in one of our city daily papers. The stuff that is printed there is ridiculous and laughed at by the white man who is thoughtful as a poor exhibition of race progress. That little column has set us back many years. It has caused men and women to lose good jobs and on the other hand it has caused our race enemies, those who do not want to see us enjoy full equality, to say that the Negro himself wants to be separated from us, wants to be segregated, wants separate accommodations and separate entertainments, and now for the Iowa Federation of Colored Clubs to ask for separate school for colored girls when all of our state schools and eleemosynaries take colored girls without complaint, so it would be indeed a foolish thing to start such a school when our state institu-

tions (for which we are now taxed) are bound to take those girls, and let our more reasonable thinking ladies turn their labors and work to some other worthy and more needed reform. Then they will be doing a commendable service for their race and humanity in its higher and broader sense.

PHILLIPS FOR CLERK OF THE COURTS.

This week we present the name of Robert H. Phillips, one of our successful East Side business men, who is a candidate for clerk of the county courts, subject to the primaries in June. Mr. Phillips is a Hawkeye boy, born in Polk county, Mitchellville, in 1879. He was educated in the public schools of East Des Moines, from which he graduated. He has lived in East Des Moines thirty-two years. He also attended the Iowa Business College, was city salesman for the Standard Oil Co. for twelve years and for the past two years he has been with the Manhattan Oil Co. He is an active republican worker and has never held or asked for an elective office before, although he has helped the other fellow to an office. If elected he will treat all classes fair and with that end in view he solicits your support in his behalf.



ELLIS FOR STATE AUDITOR.

We present this week the true likeness of Mr. Clark B. Ellis, better known as Bailey Ellis, of Monona county, Iowa, who is a candidate for auditor of state, subject to the primaries June 1st. Mr. Ellis was born in Harrison county, Iowa, in 1863, and was educated in the public schools and also graduated from the high school. He lived on a farm many years and was elected county auditor of Monona county for eight years. He came from there to Des Moines, where he was chief clerk of the banking department in the state auditor's office for four years, and at present he is state examiner of county accounts. Mr. Ellis, therefore, knows fully the duties of the state auditor's office and by his age, experience and qualification he would no doubt make an ideal state auditor. He has never held or asked for a state office before, although he has been an active republican worker all his life. He will treat all races and all classes fair, equal and just, as has been his dealings in the past years of his life, and his many friends earnestly solicit your vote in his behalf June 1st.

GARTON FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

Mr. S. B. Garton of East Des Moines has announced his name as a candidate for state representative, subject to the primaries June 1st. Mr. Garton is one of the best and most successful of our older men in business in East Des Moines, having lived there and been in one business for the past thirty years, namely, restaurant and bakery at East Sixth and Locust streets. He is an active republican worker and has raised and educated his entire family of five children. Each of them graduated from the East Des Moines high school. One son, George, is at the present time cashier in the postoffice and is a popular young man well known in Des Moines. Mr. Garton is director of the East Des Moines Commercial club, also a director in the Home Savings bank, and by virtue of his long citizenship, his successful business career has eminently qualified him for a member of the legislature. He has treated all classes and all colors fair and equal in his past career and would do the same if elected; therefore he solicits your support.

OTTUMWA, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. Bailey, W. M.; D. B. Johnson, A. M.; S. Harris, P. W. M.; M. Taylor, sentinel; M. Clark, P. G. W. M.; Mrs. Elliott, conductress; Cleo Thompson, Electa; Mrs. W. Fowler, marshal, left Monday for Keokuk to attend the session of the grand chapter, which convenes in that city this week.

Mrs. Ione Barquet gave a birthday surprise party in honor of her husband Tuesday evening. The Thimble club met with Mrs. Magruder at the home of Mrs. Barquet.

The Benevolent club will meet with Mrs. Flossie Williams on Thursday evening.

Mr. Brown of Washington, Iowa, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Owens on Sunday. The ladies of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church raised \$182 at the four conductors' rally held June 17th. The ladies were pleased and thank all who so kindly helped them.

All news for The Bystander call 1347-X.

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA, NOTES. May 3d was Rally Day at the A. M. E. church. Services were held all day. Rev. Eaves of the Second Baptist church preached in the afternoon. The rally was quite a success, \$33.50 being the proceeds.

The Missionary society of the A. M. E. church met at the church Thursday afternoon, May 7th. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Harry Burnaugh on "How To Live a Successful Life."

On last Thursday the members of the Second Baptist church served

Baptist church in the interest of the Western National Convention. After the lecture a social was given at the home of Mrs. Mollie Hughes for the benefit of Mrs. Brown.

Rev. Jackson filled the pulpit Sunday night at the Second Baptist church.

The King's Daughters society met at the home of Mrs. Chas. McCracken on Friday afternoon. Light refreshments were served, consisting of pineapple ice, vanilla wafers and coffee. All report a pleasant time.

Mrs. S. N. McCracken left Thursday afternoon for an extended visit in Minneapolis. Mrs. S. M. McCracken

Mr. Arthur Burnaugh spent Sunday in Burlington.

The Misses Beatrice Pickett and Gertie Robinson spent Sunday in Fairfield.

Mr. Harley Palmer spent Sunday in Keokuk.

Rev. R. C. Campbell and wife have located in our city. We are glad to welcome strangers to our city.



O'DONOGHUE FOR COUNTY CORONER.

The name of William O'Donoghue, one of our East Side undertakers, has been presented as a candidate for county coroner, subject to the primaries June 1st. Mr. O'Donoghue is a Polk county boy, born in this county in 1875, and his name is probably heard more frequently than that of any other candidate—and deservedly so. Mr. O'Donoghue has made a success in his chosen line of work—undertaking—and has thereby gained a good name in business circles. He has proven a good mixer, in general, and has thereby made a large circle of acquaintances. He was a painstaking, careful official while working in the ranks of organized labor and thereby earned the confidence and respect of the labor movement. This makes a trio of resources which in themselves should assure the success of any candidacy and it is the hope of his friends that Wm. O'Donoghue will receive the nomination for coroner on the republican ticket June 1st.

KELLER FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

The name of C. W. Keller is submitted to the voters of the Third supervisor's district as a candidate for supervisor for his second term, subject to the primaries in June. Mr. Keller was born in Polk county, Iowa, in 1874 on a farm, attended the public schools and has lived on the farm all of his life. He is an active republican worker and has made his way from the common walks of life to the present station and therefore is in full sympathy with the progress of the common people. He has made an excellent member of the board the last two years and it is but fair that he should be given his second term. He has always stood by the colored people when any question would arise before the board affecting their interest, and for that reason the colored voters at this time should not desert him for his second term; therefore he solicits your support.



DOWELL FOR CONGRESS.

It is our good pleasure to present to our readers the cut of Hon. Cassius C. Dowell of Des Moines, Iowa, who is a candidate for the Seventh congressional district. He was born on a farm in Warren county, Iowa, and is well qualified for the position to which he aspires. He served nine years as a member of the state senate, eight of which he was chairman of the judiciary committee. In addition to this important legislative training, he is a forceful public speaker, a consistent republican, and his nomination will greatly strengthen the republican ticket in November. He solicits the support of all republicans, believing that he can render important service to his district and state in the national legislature.

We can say that without a doubt that Mr. Dowell has been fair with the colored people on all questions and he is intensely interested in the progress that the race is making. Coming up from the common walks of life, he can sympathize with them and will give them equal justice if elected. I have known him for many years and can vouch for the above statement. His many colored friends throughout this district are asking your honest support in his behalf at the coming primaries.

Whooping Cough.

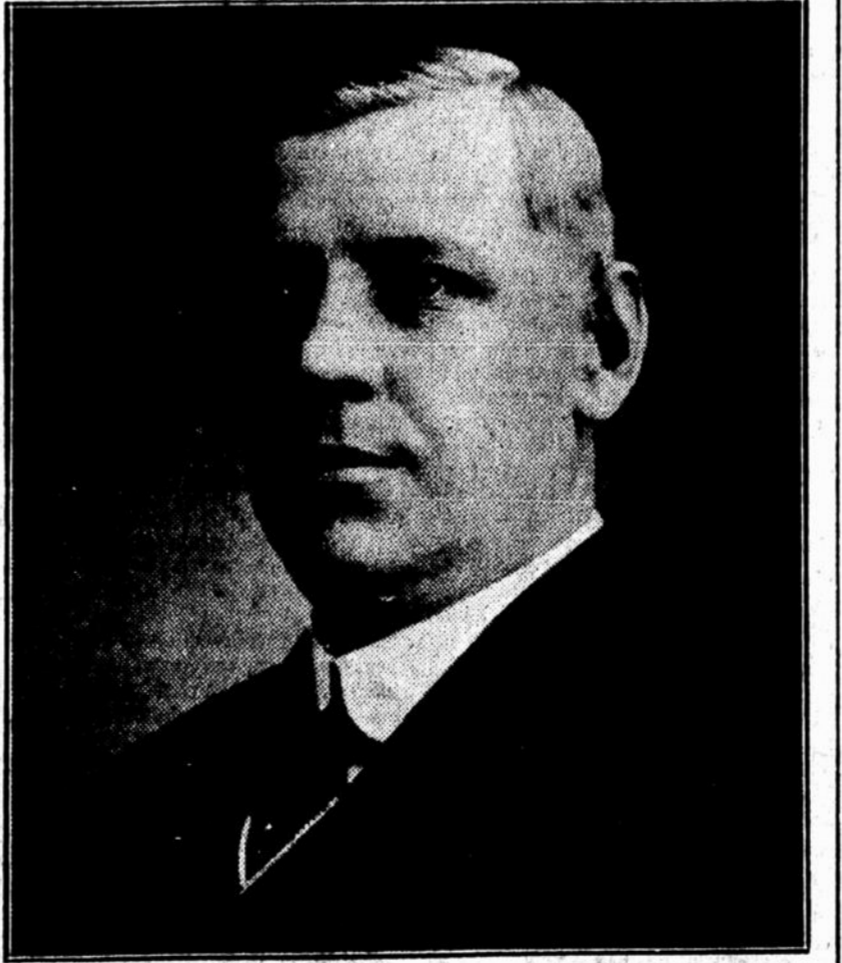
"About a year ago my three boys had whooping cough and I found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only one that would relieve their coughing and whooping spells. I continued this treatment and was surprised to find that it cured the disease in a very short time," writes Mrs. Archie Dalrympe, Crooksville, Ohio. For sale by all dealers.



JUDGE LEE FOR GOVERNOR.

This week we take great pleasure in presenting to our readers the Hon. Judge C. G. Lee of Ames, Iowa, who is a candidate for governor on the republican ticket, subject to the primaries Monday, June 1st. Judge Lee was born in Jasper county on a farm in 1869, attended the country schools and graduated from Hazel Dell Academy at Newton and later from the Iowa State university. He is also a graduate from the law department of Drake university in 1895 and immediately began the practice of law. He has served as city attorney for Ames for eight years, was elected district judge of the Eleventh judicial district in 1906 and has served continuously until he resigned on April 27th of this year.

Judge Lee is unquestionably eligible for the high office he seeks, both by his educational qualifications, his splendid service as a judge and his broad ideas and liberal views upon the many public questions that are affecting the people. He feels, and many honest republicans do, that this capitol extension is a useless expenditure of the people's money, and in his letter to C. A. Rawson, chairman of the state central committee, he attacks Governor Clarke upon that issue. Judge Lee is a true and tried friend of the colored race and has in his past dealings treated them with equal justice and will no doubt do the same if promoted to the high office of governor. His many friends throughout the state are asking your support for him June 1st.



BACKMAN FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

This week we present Mr. John A. Backman, one of our East Side successful young men, who is a candidate for county treasurer. Mr. Backman was born in Des Moines in 1883, educated in the public schools, worked in the city engineer's office for a while and later on he worked on the canal on the Isthmus of Panama as engineer. He was deputy treasurer under Geo. L. Dobson for four years and from

there he was selected as city treasurer by the councilmen and served in that capacity for two years. He has always been an honest and efficient and careful man with his clerical work and with his knowledge of the duties of the county treasurer he would no doubt make a most ideal treasurer. He is fully capable and his many friends solicit your support in his behalf. If elected he will treat all classes of people with equal justice.

dinner to the men that were at work digging out the cellar for the basement.

Last Wednesday night Mrs. Brown of Buxton lectured at the Second

work accompanied her as far as Burlington.

Mrs. Tillie Williams left Monday morning for Lake Okoboji, where she has been employed as cook for several



BRAMMER FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

It is our pleasure this week to present to our readers the name of George E. Brammer, who is a candidate for state representative for Polk county, subject to the primaries. Mr. Brammer was born in Iowa in 1886 and graduated from the law department of Drake university in 1908. He taught at the university and received his master's degree in 1911. He has practiced in this state ever since he was admitted and is well qualified for the office he seeks. He is a high-minded man and will treat all classes fair.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Mt. Zion Baptist church observed May 17th as their "Go to church Sunday."

The Art and Culture club met Friday evening with Mrs. Strange, 613 Otce street. After the business session the hostess served a delightful luncheon. Adjourned to meet with Mrs. J. D. Anthony at their next meeting.

Mrs. D. C. Gordon and Mrs. L. Coates have been elected delegates of the A. I. P. club to attend the State Federation, which convenes in Des Moines, and will depart for the Capital City on Sunday evening. Mrs. M. H. Spencer and Mrs. A. J. Hogg are the delegates from the Art and Culture club and will also depart for Des Moines on Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. W. Norris was hostess to the A. I. P. club at their "Pleasure evening" Friday, May 15.

Dr. A. J. Booker of Des Moines was in the city last week attending the doctors' convention.

The Odd Fellows had their annual sermon preached at the A. M. E. church May 10th.

On May 30th there will be a grand concert given at the Odd Fellows' hall for the benefit of the A. M. E. church. The affair is under the management of Mrs. J. H. Garrison.

A new enterprise has been launched in our midst. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Morgan are the proprietors of a cafe which was opened for business May 17th.

Mrs. Anna Norris, delegate from Naomi chapter, No. 7, departed Sunday evening for Keokuk to attend the grand chapter, which convenes at that place. Other members who also went were Mrs. Etta Grant, who is grand Ruth, and Mrs. Myrtle Morgan.

COUNCIL BLUFFS ITEMS.

The entertainment given at Bethel A. M. E. church by the choir was a success. It was given for the benefit of paying for the new piano. An excellent program was rendered.

There will be a social given at Bethel A. M. E. church by the Sunday school on Thursday night, May 21. We are expecting a great success.

The play given last Monday night at the Tabernacle Baptist church, under the direction of Miss Aulty Lewis, was indeed a success and was enjoyed by all present.

The May festival given by the O. E. S. club was a grand affair.

Rev. J. H. Ferribee, with a number of members from the A. M. E. church, attended quarterly meeting Sunday afternoon at the A. M. E. church in South Omaha, Neb. Rev. Ferribee preached the sacramental sermon.

Mr. Frank Giles was very pleasantly surprised Thursday night with a birthday party. The evening was well spent in music and games. We wish Mr. Giles many more happy birthdays.

Miss Ethel Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Richardson, arrived in this city Wednesday from Aikin, South Carolina, where she has been teaching school. She will spend her vacation here in the Bluffs with her parents and many friends.

The Masons will give an entertainment Tuesday, May 26th, at the Masonic hall.

Rev. Morton, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, is very ill at this writing.

Lawn and garden rakes. Dawson's Hardware, Sixth avenue.

A good remedy for sleeplessness is to wet a towel and apply to the back of the neck, pressing it hard against the base of the brain and fastening over this cloth to prevent too rapid evaporation. The effect will be prompt and pleasant, cooling the brain and inducing a sweet and peaceful slumber. Warm water is better than cold for the purpose. This remedy will prove useful to people suffering from overwork, excitement or any way.

REPORT ON PATENTS

Official Document Shows Inventors' Increased Activities.

Uncle Sam's Patent Office is Practically the Only Branch of the Government Which is Entirely Self-Sustaining.

Washington.—Nineteen fourteen will be a banner year in the history of American invention if the business of the United States patent office continues at its present rate of increase. In a special report prepared for Patent Commissioner Thomas Ewing the other day much interesting information is made public. As is generally known, the United States patent office is practically the only branch of the government which is entirely self-sustaining. Its income received from patent and trade mark fees and sales of printed copies of patents amounting each year to more than the total expenditures for running the office.

The report made to Commissioner Ewing showed that on the second Thursday of April the office had total receipts of more than \$12,000, the largest for any single day since the government began to grant patents in 1836. There have been days, of course—Mondays or on the day following a holiday, when two days' receipts were counted as one—when this amount has been exceeded, but business for Thursday, April 9, reached the high record for a single day's receipts. The report shows that the patent office receipts for the first three months of this year were nearly \$566,000, against less than \$537,000 for last year. March business was the largest of any of the three months, and the increase promises to continue through the year. If this proves to be the case the total amount of cash receipts for the year would be far in excess of the record business for 1913, when the total income was \$2,118,000.



Commissioner Thomas Ewing.

There is an interesting story back of the figures which show Uncle Sam's increased activities in issuing patents. When Commissioner Thomas Ewing came into office a year ago he felt that long-delayed applications for patents and the operation of a time-consuming system of amending patents were the principal abuses of the American patent system. Many old cases had been delayed by the applicants for the patents for a long time, in some cases as long as fifteen years. One reason for delaying applications is that on a certain class of patents inventors believe there will be a greater demand for the article in future years than there is at the present time. For this reason everything possible is done to protect their idea after the application has been once filed and to delay the date of final issue of the patent as long as possible. The law allows one year in which to make answer to various letters. Commissioner Ewing found that there was a scientific system of delaying applications by certain patent attorneys using the limit of time allowed to make answer to letters written about the patents for which they had applied.

The number of applications for patents delayed more than five years is less than 5,000. As there are 125,000 applications in the patent office, it can be seen that about four per cent of the applications have been slowing up the work of the office. The fact that 96 per cent of the applications went through the office in less than five years and that the average application went through in less than two years convinced Commissioner Ewing that most of the delays were due to time-consuming tactics of the applicants. Of the 81 applications which he found in the office January 1 which were older than 15 years, he has already reduced the number by 18, or nearly 20 per cent.

Commissioner Ewing has not been slow to let those patent attorneys know that he does not like this dilatory and time-consuming system of delaying applications for patents. His expression of disapproval has had the effect of speeding up dilatory applicants who have tried to hold back

Housewives and Servants. You may recall Robert Louis Stevenson's dictum on the subject now that the servant question is once more to the fore. He declared that the worst features of the British middle class are its fear of death and the way its women treat their domestic servants. To a man, says the London Chronicle, it is a matter of no importance whether the cook wears a cap or not, and he can sympathize with the housemaid being 'slizza'd or Jane'd by every comer. Why

the time for the final issue of their patents. This speeding up of business which has been delayed through no fault of the men in the patent office, but because of the applicants themselves, has resulted in greatly increased receipts by the office. It may be possible, with proper administration, to limit the time during which an application for patent may be kept pending in the office to less than five years, and perhaps to less than three years. The commissioner of patents hopes that the announcement that the patent office officers dislike the dilatory tactics of the applicants in delaying the issue of patents will be sufficient to insure the speeding up of the work and the cutting down of the list of delayed applications. If the announcement is not sufficient the commissioner will consider the propriety and wisdom of having old applications published, a thing which has not been done in the past. There is no law against this, although the rules and custom of the office have been to preserve applications in secrecy. If these means, which the office has adopted to encourage lawyers to transact their business promptly, are not effective it is likely that Commissioner Ewing will recommend corrective legislation at the next regular session.

SOURCE OF FOREST FIRES.

Exhaustive inquiry has established the fact that lightning ranks next to railroads as a source of forest fire. Forest officers say that the increasing care with fire in the part of the railroads and the public generally tends to make lightning the largest single contributing cause.

This statement represents a change of view from that held less than a decade ago in this country, when forest journals gravely argued whether lightning caused forest fires, though it was known that trees were the objects most often struck. Trees are said to be often struck simply because they are so numerous, and extending upward they shorten the distance between the ground and the clouds; further, their branches in the air and roots well into the earth invite electrical discharges.

While certain trees are said to invite lightning, and others to be immune from stroke, it seems to be a fact that any kind of tree will be struck, and the most numerous tree species in any locality is the one most likely to suffer.

Other things being equal, lightning seeks the tallest tree, or an isolated tree, or one on high ground. A deep-rooted tree is a better conductor than a shallow rooted one, and a tree full of sap, or wet with rain, is of course a better conductor than a dry one.

Lightning sets fires by igniting the tree itself, particularly when it is dead, or partly decayed and punky, or by igniting the dry humus or duff at its base. The forest soil, when dried out, ignites readily, because it is made of partly decayed twigs and leaves, and it can hold a smoldering fire for a considerable period. It is probable that most of the lightning-set fires start in the duff.

In the mountains of southern California, Arizona, and New Mexico there are likely to be each year a number of electrical disturbances known as "dry thunder storms." They come at the end of the long dry season, and being unaccompanied by rain are very likely to start many serious fires. For this reason the forest service has to keep up its maximum fire fighting strength in those regions until the rains are fully established. In the plans and organization for fire fighting the service aims particularly to catch these unpreventable lightning-set fires at the time they start.

POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES.

There are 219,910 employes in post offices of the United States, according to figures just compiled by the post office department. The compilation of these figures is in line with the general inventory and stock-taking of the department ordered by Postmaster General Burleson some time ago. These figures do not include department employes or those in the service at large.

There are in all 58,021 postmasters—454 first-class, 1,936 second-class, 36,053 third-class and 49,598 fourth-class. There are 116,415 clerks and assistant postmasters, including 35,546 clerks in first and second-class offices, 2,362 assistant postmasters, 4,707 clerks in contract stations, 10,800 clerks in third-class offices and 62,000 clerks in fourth-class offices. In addition there are 1,954 watchmen, messengers and laborers, and 45,474 city letter carriers.

ANTEDATES THE GOVERNMENT.

It is 138 years since Benjamin Franklin became the first postmaster general in America as representative of the colonists, and the postal service of the United States antedates the government by just one year. The first declaration of independence ever made by the colonists was in the establishment of a postal service of their own to evade the Crown postmasters, who spied upon the mails. This service aided in bringing the colonists together and raising the voice of public opinion. Though Benjamin Franklin was postmaster general at \$1,000 a year, a Maryland editor named Goddard, who printed the Maryland Journal-Post, established a private service a year before the colonists took charge.

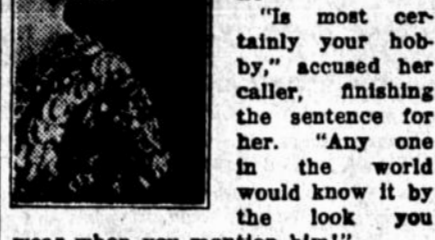
should not one ask Miss Smith to bring in the coffee, just as at the office Miss Jones is told to ring up 0000 Central? But it is precisely on these points that the housewife shows her womanliness towards women. Why?

Her Engagement.

"Excuse me; can I speak to your typewriter a moment?" "You cannot. She is engaged." "That's all right. I'm the fellow she's engaged to."—Coyote.

MRS. ANSBERRY IS MODERN AND ADVANCED

"I defy you," laughed Mrs. Timothy T. Ansberry, the other day, shaking a warning forefinger at her interviewer, "to even imagine a story about me. There is not a hobby in the Ansberry family. As for politics and public work, I leave them to my husband. Now, he—"



"It is most certainly your hobby," accused her caller, finishing the sentence for her. "Any one in the world would know it by the look you wear when you mention him!"

"Inasmuch," she laughed back, "as there is nothing to do when caught but confess, I plead guilty."

All of which brings us to the point of the story. Driving her electric, or with a big gasoline car under the guidance of her capable hands, Mrs. Ansberry, the young wife of Representative Ansberry of Ohio, looks every bit the modern and advanced woman, capable of presiding at a mass meeting or holding office. In reality she is an old-fashioned woman in the best sense of what phrase implies. She has been largely the inspiration of her husband's public career, by bringing to bear upon it

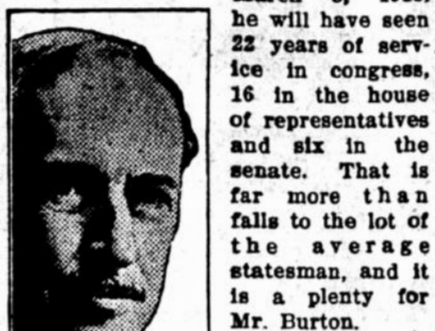
the gentle influence of her hopes and sympathies. Her interests center in the administration of her household affairs. She is one of a family of eight children, and, like most girls reared in big households, she had taken a course of home instruction in domestic science before she put on long frocks. She learned food values, judicious marketing and principles of household efficiency from her mother.

Before her marriage Mrs. Ansberry was Miss Nelle Kettering of Ohio. Like her husband she was born and reared in the town of Defiance. This place, still sometimes called Fort Defiance, is rich in historic associations, having been an important fort during the Revolutionary war, and in command of Gen. Anthony Wayne throughout much of those troublous times. At the old fort, a picturesque spot overlooking the junction of the Maumee and Anglaise rivers, a Carnegie library now stands. To the little town of Defiance both Representative and Mrs. Ansberry are devotedly loyal. They always speak of it with that affection which every man and woman so fortunate as to have been born and reared in a small town feel for its intimate ties and friendships.

Mrs. Ansberry is regarded as one of the handsomest women in the congressional set. She has what too many women of the present day lack, a superb physique and superabundant health. She is fond of outdoor life and sports, and she has, too, the normal woman's love of social life.

TO RETIRE AFTER 22 YEARS IN CONGRESS

When Senator Theodore E. Burton of Ohio retires to private life on March 3, 1915, he will have seen 22 years of service in congress, 16 in the house of representatives and six in the senate. That is far more than falls to the lot of the average statesman, and it is a plenty for Mr. Burton.



Last week, in reply to inquiries as to whether he would be a candidate for re-election to the senate, Mr. Burton announced his withdrawal from public life. The next morning, when the newspapers all over the country published his decision, a friend met him at the capitol and asked if after sleeping over it he regretted his decision.

"Regret it?" said the senator. "Indeed I do not. I feel happier this morning than I have felt for many years. The cares and worries of politics have fallen from my shoulders and now there is nothing to prevent me from finishing my senatorial term in peace and comfort."

These are the sentiments of practically every man who, after a long term of public service, faces voluntary retirement to private life. Former

Secretary of State Knox, upon leaving the cabinet with the advent of the Wilson administration last year, said to a friend: "I feel like a boy out of school," and he hurried to catch the first train for Palm Beach. High public office is not all beer and skittles, by any means. With the honors and power and salary go heavy responsibilities, and arduous work.

Mr. Burton's public service will be remembered principally in connection with his work on the rivers and harbors committee of the house, of which committee he was for 13 years a member and for ten years its chairman. Under his regime river and harbor legislation was further divorced from "pork barrel" methods than under any other. He studied every project which congress was called upon to consider, and because of his thorough knowledge of his subject and because his colleagues had every confidence in his fairness and justice he had little difficulty in getting his appropriation bills through the house.

Mr. Burton is more than sixty-two years old, but is well preserved. He is much sought after socially in Washington. When he gets out of congress he expects to travel for a time before settling down at his home in Cleveland. Travel has been his greatest diversion for years, and he has made many trips abroad, where he has studied river and harbor improvements and water transportation.

Being a lawyer by profession, it is presumed he will devote his attention to his practice.

MRS. FAIRCHILD UP ON BUSINESS MATTERS

The women who count change on their fingers and to whom a market page and a time table are equally unintelligible look with awe and admiration not unmixed with envy on Mrs. George W. Fairchild, wife of Representative Fairchild of New York. Mrs. Fairchild has a business ability which, if she had been a man, would probably have made her a captain of finance. With characteristic modesty she overlooks this fact whenever she is asked for information regarding herself, but the truth concerning her may always be had upon good authority. This authority is her husband. Mr. Fairchild gives her credit in a large measure for his success as a business man.



Executive and business ability in a woman are usually arguments for woman suffrage. Yet, with true womanly inconsistency, Mrs. Fairchild is anti-suffrage in her sympathies. She believes a woman's influence will in no wise be strengthened by the right of franchise, and that woman's sphere, even with the limitations implied in the old-fashioned phrase, is full of undeveloped opportunities for all woman-kind.

MRS. JOHN LAFLIN RENTS A 35-ROOM FLAT

Mrs. John P. Laflin, now living at the Coronet, Fifty-eighth street and Sixth avenue, New York city, has leased a suite of 35 rooms in the apartment house now in course of construction at West End avenue and Seventy-first street, because she is planning much entertaining next winter. Mrs. Laflin expects to move into her new home about October.



While Mrs. Laflin would not tell the exact number of years she has leased the commodious quarters, she admitted that her total rental would

be \$50,000. The length of one of the rooms in the apartment will be 56 feet, and the suite will cover one entire floor.

"Instead of following the plans for other floors in the building," Mrs. Laflin explained, "I am having the whole space, which would be divided into several apartments, thrown into one. All the rooms will be large and admirably fitted for the entertaining we are planning next winter."

Included in the 35 rooms are eight bathrooms. Mrs. Laflin was asked how many children would have the run of the suite. She laughed and said: "I have an unusually small family. My daughter and I live alone with our servants. But, as I said before, I expect to do a lot of entertaining and my guest rooms always will be needed."

Mrs. Laflin is the daughter of the late Frank Smith of Brooklyn.

A Horse Shortage in Russia. Russia is suffering from a shortage of horses. The council of ministers has approved the introduction into the duma of a bill by the minister of commerce by which the western frontier and Black Sea ports will, for the time being, be closed to the exportation of horses. The measure has been prepared owing to the huge export of Russian horses to Austria-Hungary, the Balkan states and other countries, having resulted in an extraordinary rise in the price of remount

horses, so that the ministry of war was compelled greatly to exceed the amounts assigned in the estimates for remounts.

Many of our cares are but a morbid way of looking at our privileges.—Sir Walter Scott.

True Wisdom. Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away.—Halsp.

EARLY METHOD OF CLEANING

Use Sawdust for Glassware—Mixture of Salt and Vinegar the Best for Decanters, Etc.

If you would get the nearest carpenter to give you a panful of sawdust you could make your cut glass dishes, and even your fine pressed glass, dazzling bright.

First wash each dish thoroughly with warm soapuds and then, with only drying it, bury the dish in the sawdust.

Leave each piece until it is perfectly dry and then brush it with a soft brush, taking care to reach all the crevices.

You can clean decanters, carafes, vinegar cruets, etc., by using a mixture of salt and vinegar. To a wine-glassful of vinegar allow a handful of salt. Put some of this in the bottles, shake it about well and the stains will disappear.

If you have pudding or meat pie dishes that have become brown, burnt and generally disgraceful looking by baking in the oven, you can almost always remove the stains by soaking them for several hours in strong borax and warm water.

Greasy pots and kettles, that betwixt the woman who does her own cooking, can be cleaned with little difficulty by letting them get warmed through on the stove, then removing them to the sink and throwing in a handful of corn meal and rubbing them well with this.

BURLAP AS A DECORATION

Can Be Put to Almost Innumerable Uses in the Making of a Tasteful Home.

The woman who is eager to have a tasteful home at small cost should remember the many uses of burlap for interior decoration. A couch that has become worn and faded, but does not require re-upholstering, may have its defects covered by a throw of burlap, using the widest obtainable in a tan or other good shade, and cutting this sufficiently long to hang entirely over the couch ends. The ends may be finished by a wide hem caught in place with green burlap stitching and the cover further ornamented by stenciling. If a tan or brown burlap has been selected a pretty stencil design is a border of pine trees done in greens and browns. Burlap also makes beautiful portieres, and is excellent for upholstering chairs, making boat or porch pillows and may even be used as a floor covering.

Rhubarb Pie. Cut the large stalks off where the leaves commence, strip off the outside skin, then cut the stalks in slices half an inch long; line a pie dish with paste rolled rather thicker than a dollar piece, put a layer of the rhubarb nearly an inch deep; put a quart bowl of cut rhubarb put a large teaspoonful of sugar; strew it over with a saltspoonful of salt and a little nutmeg grated; shake over a little flour; cover with a rich pie crust, cut a slit in the center, trim off the edge with a sharp knife and bake in a quick oven until the pie loosens from the dish. Rhubarb pies made in this way are altogether superior to those made of the fruit stewed.

Braised Sweetbreads. Use little individual baking dishes for these. In the bottom of each buttered dish put a little chopped carrot, celery, onion, a few green peas and slices of salt pork. Place a parboiled sweetbread on top of the vegetables. If the sweetbreads are large, half will be enough. If dish is used as an entree. Cover with good clear stock and bake slowly for from forty-five minutes to an hour. Before serving baste the gravy and vegetables over the sweetbreads to garnish.

To Make Windows Bright. A spoonful of kerosene added to a kettle of very hot water is excellent for making windows, looking-glasses, and picture glasses, bright and clear. Use a small, clean cloth, wring it dry and rub it over the glass, after wiping down the framework with an oiled cloth. Then wipe dry with a large clean cloth. No real polishing is required to make the glass look clean and shiny.

Tricatelil. This calls for pork, although any other fresh meat may be used. Chop one pound raw fresh pork very fine, add one teaspoonful salt, one saltspoonful pepper, teaspoonful onion juice and one-half cupful saie bread crumbs. Beat two eggs and mix all thoroughly. Shape into small cakes, pan, boil slowly to the thoroughly cook. Serve with baked or fried potatoes, and garnish with parsley and lemon.

About Black Kid Gloves. Black kid gloves that have become white and shabby looking at the ends of the fingers can be made to look like new in the following manner: Mix a little good black ink with half a teaspoonful of olive oil and apply to the shabby parts with a feather, letting them dry thoroughly. Black suede gloves can also be treated in this manner.

King's Jam. Four pounds of grapes, two pounds of sugar, three-quarters pound of raisins, one-quarter pound of English walnut kernels, pulp of two oranges, one-half pound of figs, seed grapes, cut nuts and figs in small pieces, stir all together and cook until thick. Put away in glasses. This is a delicious conserve.

Cranberry Conserve. Four cupful cranberries, four cupfuls granulated sugar, four cupfuls water, one cupful seeded raisins, one cupful English walnut meats, broken in small bits, one orange and one lemon cut in small pieces. Mix ingredients and cool until it thickens, then pour into jelly glasses. Cover with paraffin.



There probably will never be a great emigration on the part of American negroes to Liberia. The difficulty of transporting millions of black men, women and children would make the scheme of a general exodus impracticable. Besides, there is a limited range of promising occupations. But there is room for thousands of immigrants who are forceful, self-reliant and willing to work. The American negro should become acquainted with Liberia and interest himself in it.—Professor Starr.

In the exhibition arranged by Professor Starr there is the best collection of books and printed matter relating to Liberia that has ever been brought together at one time. The books written about the country by strangers and scientific men traveling in the country, there are books and pamphlets printed in Liberia and written by Liberians on the politics, government, history and religion of their own country. There are files of the principal Liberian newspapers and magazines, the Liberian Register, the African League, Liberia Times, Liberia Recorder, the Guide and a missionary paper, Liberia and West Africa.

A whole case is devoted to the activities of the missions in Liberia. In the exhibit the Protestant Episcopal, the Methodist Episcopal, the African Methodist Episcopal, the Lutheran and the Christian missions are represented. They have been especially active in providing schools and much needed education for the natives. Among the notable mission schools are Epiphany hall, under the direction of the Protestant Episcopal church, and the College of West Africa, a Methodist Episcopal school, located at Monrovia. At Epiphany hall there is a farm and coffee plantation connected with the school, and four hours of practical agriculture and horticulture are required.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Closely following the action of the senate in favor of a substantial appropriation for continuing the work on the new Central high school building, and for the purchase of a site for the new Eastern High school, comes the news that the work of constructing a new high school building for colored pupils will probably be begun next fall, says the Washington Star. Congress last July having appropriated \$15,000 toward the construction of this building, the authorized cost of which is to be \$55,000, the announcement is now made that the plans for the proposed structure are practically complete.

The pressing need for a new building for the colored high school is shown in the statement that the structure now in use was built to accommodate 450 pupils; that its present enrollment is more than 800, and that libraries, study halls and other rooms have been pressed into service as classrooms, though designed for other purposes. The efficiency of this school has suffered somewhat for a long time because of its crowded condition. The plans for the new building show a provision of space for 1,400 pupils, nearly double the present enrollment of the school. This appears to be looking well into the future, but the building will not be completed until the spring of 1916, and the school population of Washington is increasing rapidly. With the facilities and attractions of the new high school buildings, a marked increase in the high school enrollment may be looked for.

There was buried in Mt. Hope cemetery, at Boston, last week, Mrs. Sarah Spence, who claimed to be one hundred and thirteen years old. At her grave were three daughters, all of whom were born in slavery. All of her 16 children were slaves. After the war they came North, one by one, and the mother herself came to Boston 14 years ago. Mrs. Spence was born in Camden. Her parents were slaves of a family named Barnett. Later she was sold to Col. Dennis Furby of North Carolina, for whom she wove cloth and made garments. Mrs. Furby and the slave did not get along well and the young girl ran away once a year for four years. She was sold to Timothy Smith and at his death she was carried into Tennessee. After the war she went back to North Carolina and worked on the Furby estate for pay, as did her children. Her first husband, Alda Furby, died before the war and she was married to Thomas Spence.

The University of Southern California has appealed to the Central Labor council of Los Angeles to aid in the work of making its course in trade unionism a success.

Nearly one-third of the population of Washington is negro, according to the bulletin of the census bureau. The total estimated population of Washington this year is \$53,378, of which 101,339 are negroes. In Philadelphia it is estimated that the total population this year will be 1,657,810, of whom 91,652 are reported as negroes. Of the population of Pittsburgh this year \$37,479 are whites and 27,399 negroes.

Nothing makes the rest of us so tired as the fellow who puts up a bluff at hustling.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Exor Matthews of Grand Rapids, Mich., consists, besides the parents, of 12 children, all of whom are either skilled musicians or are taking lessons in the use of some instrument. Each parent is able to play two or three instruments.

St. Louis churches are using half-page advertisements in daily papers.

In 1910 there were 213 widows to every 100 widowers in the United States.

Japan has 5,000 miles of steam railways.

Some of the large Atlantic steamers have 150 firemen each.

Under forest regulations in Colombia, rubber gatherers are required to give the trees a rest period in tapping them for gum.

The chain used by Abraham Lincoln to survey the boundary line of Arkansas is being exhibited in the window of a hardware store in Houlton, Me.

Rev. Richard D. Stinson, head of the Atlanta Normal and Industrial Institute, spoke to the congregation of the Bethel Avenue Methodist Episcopal church and the Christian Missionary alliance at Pittsburgh. He urged the people of his race to develop a racial pride and history by making themselves able, educated, honorable citizens. He declared that the race never could cope with alcohol and other drugs.

Before the Christian Missionary alliance he outlined the work which is being done at the school, which he heads, and told of the aspirations and hopes of the leaders of the negro race in the South.

Michael Spertall, who died recently at Shanklin, Isle of Wight, at the age of ninety-five, was formerly consul general for Greece in London. He was present at the funeral of George IV and at the coronation of William IV. Among his friends were Gladstone, Cobden and Bright.

DAVENPORT NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Green left Saturday for a short visit at their home in Canton, Mo. Mr. Green returned Monday, leaving his wife in Canton. He reported a fine time.

Mrs. Georgia Perkins and Mrs. Gertrude Smith, who are on the sick list, are reported to be improving nicely.

Mr. Cass Lambert of South Rock Island, who has not been able to attend church this year on account of sickness, gladdened our hearts Sunday morning when he attended our services at Bethel A. M. E. church.

The Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth held their annual exercises at the Third Baptist church last Sunday at 3 p. m. The services were conducted by Rev. T. B. Stovall, who also delivered the thanksgiving sermon, which was very inspiring.

Among the many sad occurrences which have happened in Davenport was the death of Squire Burns of 1802 N. Judson street, Saturday evening, May 9, as the result of being kicked in the chest by one of his own horses, dying about half an hour later. Mr. Burns was respected and loved by everyone. The survivors are a wife, Mrs. E. Burns, two daughters, Mrs. Nina Greene and Mrs. Jeremiah Boone, and one son, Henry Burns, all of Davenport. The funeral was held from the home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, services being conducted by Rev. F. K. Nicholson of the Third Baptist church.

The minister of the Calvary Baptist church will address the members of the Third Baptist church Sunday evening.

Rev. T. B. Stovall of the Bethel A. M. E. church preached a very able sermon on Holiness to his congregation Sunday morning.

Mrs. Mamie Harper was suddenly called away to Bucklin, Mo., last Saturday to attend the funeral of her nephew, Rev. Jones.

Miss Gibbs of Philadelphia is visiting her aunt, Mrs. David Underhill, of North Harrison street, near Vanderveer park.

A. M. E. church quarterly meeting Sunday. Messrs. Wilburn Hawkins and Chas. Davis were Ottumwa visitors on evening of this week.

On Saturday evening at the home of Mr. S. E. Franklin about ten couples were entertained, Mr. S. E. Franklin being host to the merry crowd of young people.

DAVENPORT NOTES. Mrs. Ruth Bright, grand matron of the Iowa Jurisdiction O. E. S., left Monday for Keokuk to hold the grand session of the O. E. S.

Mrs. D. S. Johnson left Saturday for the grand session, going by way of Burlington. She will return by way of Mt. Pleasant, where she will visit relatives for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Eugene Green left for Sioux City on Monday to set up an order of the Household of Ruth. She will return by way of Des Moines, where she will attend the State Federation of Colored Women's clubs.

Mrs. Ella Fuqua, matron of Naomi chapter, left Monday to attend the grand session of the O. E. S. in Keokuk.

Rev. F. K. Nicholson of the Third Baptist church is working hard on his rally. Dr. McDowell of the Calvary Baptist church attended services at the Third Baptist church Sunday evening, helping the pastor to boom the rally.

Rev. McDonald, pastor of the Holiness church here, preached an able sermon at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning. He brought his congregation with him and it seemed as though the day was one of pentecost.

Rev. T. B. Stovall is doing a great work to get his congregation in a holy state.

Sunday was Stewardess day at Bethel A. M. E. church. It was a

A Nervous Woman Finds Relief From Suffering.

Women who suffer from extreme nervousness, often endure much suffering before finding any relief. Mrs. Joseph Snyder, of Tiffin, O., had such an experience, regarding which she says:

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success spiritually and financially. Mrs. Dr. Townly of Muscatine is visiting her niece, Mrs. Lula Bates, on Bridge avenue. She attended services at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday with a large number of friends across the river.

Mrs. Eugene Perkins' mother-in-law returned home to Quincy last Saturday, after caring for Mrs. Perkins two weeks. Mrs. Perkins own mother will now look after her. Mrs. Perkins is improving slowly.

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and Mr. Wm. Wesley of Buxton are Colfax visitors this week. The many friends of Mrs. Dan Oliver, formerly of Colfax, but now of British Columbia, regret to hear of her illness and hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Mr. Bennie Crank, the head chef of the Victoria hotel, has gone to St. Paul, Minn., on his two weeks' vacation.

The thanksgiving services were duly observed Sunday, May 10, 1914, at the Odd Fellows' hall. There was a good attendance and the day was favorable to all.

Rev. J. W. Evans celebrated his 47th birthday on May 11, 1914, by inviting the members of his congregation and friends. In spite of the inclement weather it was well attended and all present report a pleasant time. Dainty refreshments were served. The crowd left wishing him many more happy birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Vandiver and son have registered at the Battle House the past week.

Mr. E. Miller from Ottumwa, Iowa, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Lizzie Lucas, and relatives.

Mr. Crawford Carter and Earl Vaughn attended the show in Newton on Monday.

Mrs. McKee and daughters, Miss Hattie McKee and Mrs. Lula Edgar, returned Monday from Buxton, where they attended the funeral of her grandson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buttram.

Mrs. Dean was calling on her many friends in Buxton the past week.

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He is a charter member of the Eighth regiment, national guard, and is at the head of the largest printing establishment operated by the race in this city.

Major Jackson was born in Chicago Sept. 1, 1870, and received his early education in the public and high schools.

He obtained his early business training by working as a newspaper merchant. He sold papers at Harrison and State streets nearly forty years ago, and by this he was able to care for his grandmother for a number of years and at the same time attend school. He also worked as an eleva-

tor conductor. Jackson only used his elevator position, however, as a means to an end, because while in this position he met many of the leading men of the city. He took the civil service examination, made good marks and was appointed to a clerkship in the Chicago postoffice, where he made a good record, serving twenty-one years. For twelve years Major Jackson served as assistant superintendent of Armour station, the highest position held by any member of his race in the Chicago postoffice system. While in this position in the postoffice Major Jackson proved his interest in his people. He was instrumental in having appointed 124 men and boys as clerks, carriers, janitors and special delivery messengers and has assisted over 100 men in securing positions in the various railroad offices in Chicago.

For a young man he has a splendid record as a soldier. During the Spanish-American war when the Eighth Illinois regiment was ordered to the field Major R. R. Jackson was ready for duty. He made many friends in Cuba and showed while there his military ability. He is now working to secure for his regiment a military home and hopes to see this realized at an early date.

Major Jackson was elected a member of the Illinois legislature, but was counted out by the machine. He contested his election and was seated just a short time before the legislature adjourned sine die. He made good use of his opportunity. Immediately upon being seated in the house of representatives Speaker McKinley recognized his worth by appointing him on the following committees: Chicago charter, fraternal and mutual insurance, federal relations, military affairs, miscellaneous subjects and municipal courts of Chicago.

The first thing to claim his attention was the various Jimcrow legislation pending in the house, and he went about the matter immediately and used his influence to check this unfair legislation. The intermarriage bill was brought before the committee on miscellaneous subjects, and Major Jackson, being a member, right there and then helped to bury it in an unknown grave. Then followed his good work on the "full crew bill," which would have put many men of the race out of the railroad service. This, like the other bill, was killed after the major had got in his work. In this he served his race and the state at the same time.

The fiftieth anniversary of the emancipation of the slaves claimed his attention, and he introduced a bill appropriating \$25,000 for that purpose, which went through without opposition, receiving a unanimous vote.

Protective Device. When a telephone line is electrostatically charged the telephone acts as a condenser. The winding serves as one plate of the condenser, the frame of the receiver as the dielectric and the person who is holding the receiver to his ear as the other plate of the condenser. In order to prove this condenser from discharge through the battery a G. E. man invents a grounded metallic rod to be held in the hand, the capacity of which is much greater than that of the condenser.

A Chance for a Bargain. An Irishman who had begun to practice photography went into a shop to purchase a small bottle in which to mix some of his solutions. Seeing one he wanted, he asked the chemist how much it would be. "Well," said the chemist, "it will be two cents as it is but if you want anything in it, I won't charge you for the bottle." "That's all right," said the man, "but a cork is it."

WELL QUALIFIED FOR LIFE'S WORK

Wide Influence Exerted by Dr. H. Roger Williams.

MAN OF LIBERAL TRAINING.

Success of a Former Instructor at Gilber Academy in Louisiana, Who Foretook the Trades For a Professional Career—Author of Several Books and Poems of Merit.

Mobile, Ala.—H. Rogers Williams, M. D., one of the most progressive men of his profession in this city, was born of slave parents on a sugar plantation in Franklin parish, La. While quite a lad he was taken north by a family of white people and given a high school education. He is a splendid example of the possibilities of one who possesses a liberal education, coupled with good common sense and backed by a strong Christian character.

Although he labors under the usual disadvantages of race discrimination and the sentiment which generally prevails against members of his race in this section, he has by persistence and honesty devoted himself to the work of racial uplift in this community for the past fourteen years. He is highly respected and well known. He learned the printer's trade in connection with his literary training, which gave him a practical knowledge along business lines.

In 1887 Dr. Williams was appointed to teach printing in Gilber academy, Baldwin, La., which is just five miles from the place where he was born. During his spare hours he pursued the preparation course for college. It was during the fall of 1890 that he had his first blow, because at this time his mother died. With a determination to better prepare himself for usefulness, he resigned the position at Gilber academy and went to Walden university, Nashville, Tenn., for the purpose of pursuing a college course and a course in medicine. Just as soon as he had completed the college course he was admitted to Meharry Medical college.

After faithfully applying himself to his studies he graduated in 1900 as a doctor of medicine. He came to Mobile shortly after graduating and located here after taking the state board examination. Dr. Williams married Miss Fannie Brandon, who was then a teacher in the public schools of Huntsville, Ala. Two children have blessed their union. During the many years he has been practicing medicine in Mobile he has made many friends among his white people and some of the best white people. He has invested in real estate and now owns some of the best property in the heart of the city.

Dr. Williams is an enthusiastic optimist. He is known for doing the impossible. Nothing discourages or makes him afraid. He is a firm believer in the ultimate survival of the fittest and looks at everything from a philosophical viewpoint. His success has been phenomenal, and he has been honored in a great many ways.

Being a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, he was elected as a delegate to the general conference of his church which met in Los Angeles in 1904. For the past three years he has served as president of the Emancipation association in succession and is state grand medical director for the Order of the Court of Calanthe, the female branch of the Knights of Pythias, and holds a like position with the Knights of Honor and the Knights and Ladies of Honor and is local medical examiner for the Knights of Pythias and several other societies. In the uniform rank of the Knights of Pythias he is assistant surgeon general on the brigadier general's staff.

Dr. Williams urges the members of his race to help solve the problems that confront them by thorough preparation, home training, education, business and commercial endeavor, which alone will make them indispensable in the economic needs of the nation as well as the communities in which they reside. He is a safe leader, a sound adviser, a thoughtful, farseeing philosopher and worthy of the highest respect and admiration of the public.

He is the author of several books and poems of real merit, a gifted speaker and stands in the front rank in all good movements for the betterment of the community. His rare literary attainments have given him recognition and public prominence in his chosen field which are not frequently shown to a man as young as he in professional life. He is popular in secret societies and well known in religious circles. He believes in his race and gives encouragement to the efforts put forward for its welfare.

May Start Mercantile Concern Again. John H. Atkins, former head of the Metropolitan Mercantile and Realty company, which failed a few years ago, is making an attempt to reorganize the concern, which has had branches in Baltimore and other cities. In speaking of the affairs of the defunct company Mr. Atkins is reported as saying that the concern received (presumably) in money for stock, \$455,000; that \$100,000 was lost on the building; the company had in February, 1913, \$100,000 in cash, and that the stockholders owed the company about \$200,000.



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