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Price Five Cents

Mrs. Thorp of Macombe, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Perry, at 118 N. Union.

John S. Wilkinson, who was operated on at the hospital last week, is improving. He was taken home last Saturday night.

Don't forget to call up Walnut 1231, the Public Grocery Co., for your groceries.

Mr. G. W. Montague of Scandia, Iowa, a member of the state miners' board, was in our city last Thursday to meet with the state board in special session on important business. He called at the Bystander office.

Mr. McCree of Colorado is visiting his cousin, Mrs. P. H. Hunter, also Mr. Coleman of Kansas City, one of her schoolmates, spent Saturday at her home.

Mrs. Stella Roberts of Kansas City, Kans., who has been visiting in Chicago stopped over in our city for a few days visit, the guest of Mrs. Amos Adams.

The Dramatic Art club will meet with Mrs. Armstead, 1450 Fremont street, next Tuesday p. m. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

The Twentieth Century H. O. A. Art and Craft club met at residence of Mrs. Bertha Hanger on April 25th at 1716 E. Maple street. Adjourned to meet at the residence of Mrs. Thomas at 3422 Grand avenue, Wednesday, May 5th, at 1 o'clock.

The Corinthian Altar Guild met with Mrs. Nellie Davis, 1410 Crocker street, and elected officers for the year. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Garrett, 1223 rocker street.

Lee A. M. E. mission has contracted for and is buying the church and the two houses due west of and adjoining the church property. Rev. H. A. Perry, the membership and friends are in harmony and are getting results.

The Blue Ribbon club of Lee A. M. E. mission gave an entertainment at the church. Eight dollars and seventy cents was turned into the trustee treasury as a result. Mrs. Drucella Williams, captain.

The Altar Guild of St. Paul's A. M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. John Smith on Fourteenth Street Place. Adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. J. D. Moore, 1327 school street, at which time a paper will be read on "Manners" by Mrs. Thymton, discussed by Mrs. Thomas.

The annual thanksgiving services of the Knights of Pythias will be held at Maple Street Baptist church next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. All members are requested to turn out and all friends are invited. Rev. Samuel Bates will preach the sermon.

Our collector will be in Marshalltown, Iowa, May 3; Cedar Rapids, May 4 and 5; Iowa City, May 6; Clinton, May 7; Davenport, May 8, 9 and 10; Rock Island, Ill., May 11 and 12; Moline, Ill., May 13; Muscatine, May 14; Washington and Oskaloosa, May 15th.

Mr. W. H. Humbard of 1047 West Fifth street, who has been confined to his room for the past ten days, was taken to Methodist hospital Monday, where an operation was performed Wednesday morning and at this writing he is reported as getting along nicely.

Arrangements have been made by North Star lodge No. 8, K. of P. for the paying off of the endowment policy of the late Arthur Jones to his widow, Mrs. Mary Jones, by Grand Chancellor E. W. Williams of Clarinda. The policy will be paid at the Union Congregational church next Wednesday evening, May 5. The public is invited to come out. H. Gould, C. C.

Rev. E. J. Penney of Mason City, who recently a teacher in the Piney Woods School at Braxton, Miss., spent Sunday in our city enroute from Braxton to Mason city. He preached at Union Congregational church Sunday night. He was supply pastor last year at Union church. His accomplished wife accompanied him. They took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stewart and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. John L. Thompson.

Miss Catherine Windsor was united in marriage to Mr. Sylvester Cornell on Sunday April 18th, at the beautiful home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Windsor, 1177 West 7th street. Rev. E. G. Jackson performed the ceremony. Only a very few friends witnessed the ceremony. The groom is a young man who recently came from Kansas and has many friends. The bride is one of our young Des Moines girls, a graduate from the West High school and a very lovable young girl, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Windsor. They have moved to Atchison, Kansas, where they will make their future home. We wish for them happiness.

Remember when you want to buy groceries go or call up the Public Grocery Co., Walnut 1231. They will give you prompt and good service.

The Rebecca court, No. 10, celebrated their seventh anniversary in their hall at Eighth and Mulberry on Monday evening, April 26. Address was given by Mr. A. L. Smith on the "Court." Mrs. Eva Owens delivered an address and short talks were given by other members. The East Side court was invited guest. Mrs. B. Carr acted as toastmistress. About forty guests were served to delightful refreshments.

The Des Moines Negro Lyceum will meet Tuesday evening with Miss Mildred Griffin at East Sixteenth and Capitol avenue and review the May issue of the Crisis, with the hostess as leader.

Mme. Jennie Watts Brown, the noted dramatic reader and character impersonator of Chicago, Ill., delighted a large and appreciative audience at St. Paul's A. M. E. church on Tuesday evening, April 27th. Mme. Brown's selections embraced subjects that called for the portrayal of many human emotions and the strength and variety of her powers were indeed surprising. She costumed all of her impersonations and judging from the applause which followed her renditions she easily lived up to her reputation, being beyond all others. Mme. Brown is the house guest of Mrs. S. Joe Brown at 1058 Fifth street.

Our regular annual collector will begin his yearly collecting trip and we hope that all of our subscribers will please be prepared to pay up in full. Those of you who did not pay last year please be prepared to settle in full, as the Bystander has been very lenient with you and now it is up to you, dear subscriber, to do the right thing with us. When you work for a person and perform that work you want your pay. Thus it is with us. The editor, John L. Thompson, is going to take his valuable time this year and make most of the territory himself, so consider this article a notification to all who owe us and lay aside the money due us until we come, or send it into the office at once.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED. A young man was killed in Proviso, Ill., yards of the Northwestern. He had nothing on his person to identify himself. Information can be given by Mrs. Sarah Warren of Melrose Park, Ill., R. F. D. No. 5.

BISHOP THIRKIELD AT ST. PAUL'S. The pastor and officers of St. Paul's A. M. E. church are pleased to announce that they have secured the consent of Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, formerly secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education society, and later president of Howard university at Washington, and who is in the city attending the council of the bishops of the Methodist church, to address the congregation at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday evening, and it is hoped that he will be given even a larger ovation than was Dr. Virgil Fimmel, who occupied the pulpit last Sunday evening.

NOTICE. The first regular quarterly membership meeting of the Des Moines branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will be held at Union Congregational church, West Tenth and Park streets, Monday evening, May 3rd, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend and all officers and committee chairmen will be prepared to make a brief report of their work during the past quarter. The public are also cordially invited. By order of S. Joe Brown, President. Mrs. Jessye E. McClain, Sec'y.

KEOKUK NOTES. Mrs. Minnie Scott and daughter, Mary, of Bowling Green, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Liddie Ross. Miss Iva McBride, who underwent an operation at one of the local hospitals, is improving rapidly. Mr. Amos Johnson left Tuesday for Oakdale, La., for medical treatment. The members and friends of the Young Men's club held a box social Tuesday evening at the African Baptist church. The Odd Fellows will hold their memorial services at the A. M. E. church May 9th. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Longley confirmed a class of four Sunday evening at St. Mary the Virgin. Mrs. Stanley Johnson entertained the Self-Culture club Friday afternoon. Mr. Selby Johnson is visiting in Chicago. The young set of high school girls and boys had a most delightful dancing party Friday evening at Association hall. As a healing salve for burns, sores, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a mark.

PROCLAMATION. Whereas the National Negro Business League has issued a proclamation for a national clean up week March 21-27, 1915, I have been authorized by the executive committee of the local branch to issue this proclamation for a clean up week beginning May 2-8, 1915. Every community and individual is requested to co-operate in this important movement. Without health and a lower death rate it will be impossible for us to have a permanent success in business, or show any evidence of progress. We further wish that the ministers of each church to observe Sunday as a day of prayer for better health and arrange appropriate services, which shall include discussions of health conditions. What To Do. Move out and burn up all unnecessary rubbish and all unused old clothing and waste. Move, dust and clean well all pictures, furniture, drapery, carpeting, bedding, clothing, cooking utensils and household ware. As far as possible take all the household articles into the open air and sun them all day. Brush down the walls and ceilings of all the rooms. Clean thoroughly all floors and woodwork of the house. Give careful attention to front and back yards, as these menace the health of your family. Repair the stable, the barn and hen house. Whitewash them and see that nothing remains in which flies can breed. Avoid over crowded bed rooms; give your bed rooms plenty of ventilation. Forty-five per cent of the annual deaths among Negroes preventable. This means that forty-five out of every hundred dying each year ought to live. Help us save the forty-five. (Signed) H. C. Brown, President Local Branch.

PROGRAM. Fourth annual session of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, to be held at Bethel A. M. E. church, Cedar Rapids, May 24, 25 and 26. Monday Evening, May 24—Citizens' Night. Song, Anthem by Bethel A. M. E. choir. Invocation, Rev. Cato. Instrumental, Mrs. Adelaide Flowers and Mrs. Mabel Horne. Welcome address on behalf of city, Mayor Rath. Vocal, Mr. Fred H. Gresham. Welcome address on behalf of the church, Rev. R. H. Cato and Rev. J. Northcross. Quartette, Mrs. E. C. Thomas, Mrs. Minnie Gray, Mrs. Fannie Hawkins, and Mrs. Robt. McGee. Welcome address on behalf of the clubs, Mrs. Amelia Jackson. Music, Miss Helen Roberts. Response to addresses, Mrs. Belle Watkins, second vice president. Music, piano selection, Miss Ruth La Vere Boyd. Address or oration, Mr. L. D. Lowery. Instrumental, Mrs. Jessie Smith. Benediction, Rev. Northcross. Tuesday A. M. Song. Invocation, chaplain. Roll call of district chairmen. Responded to by two minute talk of what she has done to build up the federation. Report of credentials committee. Committees appointed. Devotional exercise. Report of committees. Minutes of board meeting. Paper, "Hints on Parliamentary Usage," delegate Self-Culture, Buxton. Discussion, delegate W. L. C. Clinton; I. B. W. Autumn Local, Davenport. Demonstration in millinery, Mrs. Jackson, modiste. Tuesday, 2 p. m.—Suffrage Meeting. Music. Invocation, chaplain. Roll call, quotations on woman's rights. Minutes. Instrumental. Address, "Suffrage Movement in This Country," by chairman of suffrage department, Mrs. F. P. Johnson. Music, suffrage song. Symposium, "Why Militancy is Not Needed Here," Mrs. Culbertson. "Women Lawyers," by Mrs. Jennie Johnson, Davenport. Results of Thirty-sixth general assembly, Mrs. James, Buxton. Paper, "Efficiency in Club Work," Mrs. S. White, Indianola. Demonstration in practical nursing, Miss Tabitha Mash, Des Moines, and Mrs. E. Gresham, Cedar Rapids, graduate nurses. Tuesday, 8 p. m. Music. Invocation. Roll call. Quotations from Negro women. Minutes. Demonstration in hair culture, Madam Mease-Scott. Plantation melodies, led by Mrs. Alice Thompson. Paper, "Folk Song and Folk Lore," Mrs. Gus Nichols. Music, Mrs. H. R. Graves, vocal solo. Original poem, Miss Marguerite Roberts. Annual address of president. Music, Mrs. S. H. Armistead, vocal solo. Reading, group, Mrs. Harvey Brown. Announcements and recess. Wednesday, 8 a. m.

Memorial. 9:30—Roll call. Quotations from the Bible. Minutes. Report of credentials committee. Paper, "Importance of Vocational Training for Children," Mrs. Anna Williams, Buxton. Discussion by delegates from Ben-evolent club, Ottumwa; E. L. D. club, Davenport, and Culture club, Cedar Rapids. Instrumental, Mrs. Fanny Sorrell. Report of officers. Report of clubs. Report of committees. Wednesday, 2 p. m. Music. Invocation, chaplain. Roll call. Quotations from Minutes. Music, vocal solo, Mrs. Mattie Green, Ottumwa. Reading, Mrs. Morgan, Sioux City. Demonstration in dressmaking, Madam Watkins. Club reports. Paper, "Training For the Motherhood," by Mrs. L. M. Coats. Discussion by delegates from Clarinda, C. C., Washington, and Mothers' club, Oskaloosa. Report of national delegate. Election of officers. Wednesday, 8 p. m. Music, band, Cedar Rapids. Invocation, chaplain. Roll call. Quotations, miscellaneous. Minutes. Final report of committees. Paper, Miss Mayrie I. Bell. Music, solo, Mrs. A. Browne. Address, Dr. E. A. Carter, "A Consideration of Some Preventable Diseases," Buxton. Solo, Mrs. F. P. Johnson. Paper, "Sex Hygiene," Industrial club. Duet, Mrs. Chredan, Mrs. Hicks. Installation of officers. Adjournment. ST. PAUL BUDGETARIAN. A long and useful life was ended when Mrs. Theodosia Charleston passed away at the home of her son, John H., 636 University avenue, on the 14th inst., surrounded by friends and her eight sons and one daughter, her husband having preceded her last fall. Mrs. Charleston lived to the ripe old age of 75. She was a patient sufferer, having been sick for several months. She was a resident of St. Paul for thirty years. Her funeral occurred Sunday, April 18, from the home, under the auspices of the Ladies' G. A. R., O. E. S. chapter and the Benevolent association, all of which she was a member. Her eight sons acted as pall bearers, Rev. G. W. Camp officiating. May she rest in peace. Mrs. M. Mason of Sioux, Mich., is visiting Mrs. M. A. Johnson, 479 Thomas street. The many friends of Rev. E. H. McDonald were indeed glad to know he won his suit against Pilgrim Baptist church, of which he sued for three months' salary due him when they demanded his resignation without ninety days' notice, which is the law. The Rev. is now pastor of Memorial Baptist church of this city. "Out in the Streets," a drama, was very beautifully staged at Pilgrim Baptist church on the 22nd inst., under the direction of Mrs. M. Whitehead. The characters were very good. It was given under the auspices of the Literary and Social club. The H. Y. W. K. club of St. James A. M. E. church scored another success with their "baby show" at the church Tuesday evening, the 20th. About eight babies contested. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mills' baby was awarded first prize, bringing in \$17.00. Mr. and Mrs. J. Blair's baby won second prize, an amount of \$14.00. The other contestants were also awarded smaller prizes. Mrs. Ed Williams of Charles street is on the sick list again. The past week our city has been saddened by eight deaths, which was as follows, including Mrs. Theodosia Charleston, Mrs. B. Hobbs of Arundel street, Mrs. Scott Walker, who died in Cumberland, Wis., and was brought here to be buried; Mrs. M. Pryor of St. Albans street; Mrs. Harrington of Temperance, Mr. G. Peabody, a stranger; Mrs. Shaffer and Mrs. Grundy. Mrs. Bettie Jones left last week for Glencoe, Ill., to the sick bedside of a friend, Mrs. Baker. Master Alfred Lealstead returned this week from Braxton, Miss., where he has been attending the Piney Woods Industrial school. The girls are glad to have him back. St. James A. M. E. church was packed to the doors Monday evening when a testimonial benefit entertainment was given for Mrs. Addie Crawford Minor, director of the choir, under the direction of Mr. Chas. Miller, Mrs. Mary Hatcher and the choir. The program was superb. The ticket selling contest was an interesting one. Three girls contested, and the awarding of the prizes were as follows: The first prize, a beautiful gold watch bracelet, was awarded to Miss Opal Wade, who brought in \$31. Second prize, a beautiful pearl set gold ring, to Miss Ruth Charleston, who reported \$24.65. Miss Harriet Jeffry brought in \$7.05. As a whole the affair was a success in every way. Mrs. Roscoe Jones of Ottumwa, Iowa, who was called to our city to attend her sister, Mrs. S. Graves, who was ill with a severe case of tonsillitis, left Wednesday evening for her home, after a two weeks'

stay, leaving her sister very much improved.

MONMOUTH, ILL. Mr. Andy Johnson and niece, Ida Maupin, of Galesburg, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Maupin. Tom Brown of Keokuk is in the city. Miss Mary Brown entertained the Agnes Meody club Thursday afternoon at her home on Second avenue. Mr. Oliver Merriell of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting at the home of his uncle, Josh Merriell. Mr. and Mrs. Buidess of Paris, Mo., have returned home, after visiting with Mrs. Buidess' father, Mr. Maupin. Rev. Wilson Boone of the Industrial Institute at McLeod, Miss., addressed the students of Monmouth, college at chapel last week. He spoke on the race problem and its relation to the Negro schools. Harold Pruitt of Knoxville, Ill., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. T. Brown.

FORT MADISON NOTES. Mr. E. Prentice, who has been in Burlington for the past three months, is home again. Mr. Joseph Paton, who has been visiting with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. Paton, left for Minneapolis, Minn., last Saturday evening. The entertainment given at the A. M. E. church last Thursday was a success both socially and financially. Rev. L. H. Owens was a Keokuk visitor one day last week. Mr. J. Ewing left last week for Minneapolis, Minn., for an indefinite stay. Mrs. Laura Dunlap is able to be up again, after a two months' illness. Messrs. Frank and Berle Anderson of New Boston were Fort Madison visitors last week. Members of the Second Baptist church are preparing to give a social Thursday evening, April 29th. Mrs. D. A. King of Chicago, Ill., was the guest of Mrs. Geo. Harper on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Mrs. Geo. Harper entertained informally at a 6 o'clock luncheon on Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. D. A. King of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. C. Davis of St. Louis were Fort Madison visitors one day last week. A series of meetings are now going on at the A. M. E. church.

CLINTON, IOWA. Mr. A. G. Clark of Oskaloosa, grand custodian of the grand lodge of Iowa, made his annual visit to McNeil lodge on Thursday night, April 22nd. While in the city he was the guest of Mr. M. O. Culbertson. A social session was held prior to the evening session. At 8 o'clock a dinner was served in honor of the guest of honor by the ladies of the O. E. S. A number were present. Later Mr. Clark spoke very entertainingly to the ladies. His attention was then directed to the men in a lodge session. He left for Davenport on Friday, accompanied by Mr. Culbertson. Rev. R. H. Cato, pastor of the A. M. E. church at Cedar Rapids preached at Bethel A. M. E. church Friday night. A large number were present. Clinton is in the midst of a six weeks' evangelistic campaign. Rev. C. R. Scoville and party in charge, at the Coliseum. Rev. I. N. Daniels, P. E., was in the city the past week in response to a petition relative to the removal of the Rev. G. W. Slater, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, by a number of the members. A change is promised as soon as matters can be arranged.

WATERLOO, IOWA. The Waterloo colored brass band will give a social in the A. M. E. church the 29th. The entertainment given by the Busy Bee club of the A. M. E. church was a grand success and all of their pretty needlework was disposed of. Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Rhonenee of Parkersburg, who recently bought them a home in Waterloo, have moved into same, and we are glad to welcome all good people into our midst. Mrs. Elizabeth Bess, mother of Rev. I. W. Bess, is still on the sick list at his home. Mr. John Davis of southern Missouri is visiting his sister, Mrs. Alberta Goodall, of 220 Merriman street. Mr. and Mrs. John Brock of Chicago have moved to Waterloo to reside. There is plenty of work in Waterloo for good colored people. Rev. Bess cannot fill the demand for colored help. Mrs. Sallie Harris of St. Louis is in Waterloo at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Bess. Waterloo now has a Masonic lodge of twenty-seven members, which is the only lodge in Waterloo. Mrs. Ruth B. Bright, W. G. M., of Davenport was in our city on the 21st, and assisted by John L. Brooks, W. G. P., and John L. Thompson, G. M., opened a chapter and initiated eighteen ladies and men into the order. The officers are: W. M., Kattie Richardson; W. P., I. W. Bess; associate M., Carrie Pettigrew; treasurer, Sadie Hopkins; secretary, George B. Cheatham; conductress, Carrie Bright, and the following stations are filled as follows: Mollie Sims, Estella Haughton, Louise Mosby, Octavia Benton, Bessie Clayton, Aletha McLauren, Jessie H. Bess and Lillie Whitfield. All persons having news for this paper or wishing to subscribe for same may do so by calling phone No. 1421 Black, or seeing Miss Eva M. Smith, reporter. Rev. I. W. Bess left for Mason City on Tuesday morning to assist in setting up a new chapter lodge. Dr. J. P. Sims, pastor of the A. M. E. church of Davenport, was in Clinton the past week. Mr. F. P. Aikens is the proud possessor of a Haynes touring car, which he recently purchased for use in his taxi line.

DAVENPORT NOTES. Rev. J. P. Sims preached a very good sermon at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday morning and in the evening Rev. Pearce, a white minister from Pennsylvania, preached a beautiful sermon. Mr. Wm. Turner, who has been sick for some weeks, is able to be about again. Mr. Ward Howard is confined to his bed at this writing. Mr. Henry Burns remains quite ill. Mr. Boone is reported ill at this writing. The funeral service of Gertrude Irene Sheppard was held at Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday at 2 p. m. The pall bearers were Josh Roberts, Earnest McGaw, Webster Busey, Eugene Howard, Ross Hopkins and Marion Hall. Mr. Lyman Sheppard was in the city attending the funeral of his daughter, Irene, on Thursday. Mrs. Chas. Sheppard of Chicago was also in attendance. The high school pupils are giving a concert at the Third Baptist church for the purpose of helping to swell the building fund.

GALESBURG, ILL., ITEMS. The Modern Priscilla club met Friday afternoon at the usual hour with Mrs. Christburgh Hopkins on Mulberry street. After the regular routine of business light refreshments were served. Mr. A. Winston of Omaha, Neb., spent a few days in our city, the guest of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Telford Gash who has been quite ill for two years past. The Autumn Leaf club met at the home of Mrs. Susan Allen on Thursday afternoon on Mulberry street. Mr. Henry Wells is still slowly improving. Misses Blanche and Mildred Smalley were hostesses to a surprise party April 21 at their home on East South street, in honor of Mr. Rudolph Lyons' 17th birthday. Household of Ruth No. 389, held their regular meeting Monday afternoon, April 26, in the Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. Dr. Waring of Chicago will give a lecture in Allen's Chapel church Friday evening, April 30th. Grand united orders of Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth will meet in joint session Tuesday evening, April 27th, to make arrangements for their annual sermon, which will be held Sunday, May 2.

FINAL NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT. To George Davis and _____ Davis, his wife, Des Moines, Iowa. You are hereby notified that you have failed to perform the contract and the agreements on your part contained in the contract entered into by you with C. R. Nuetzel of date 6th day of October, A. D. 1913, for the purchase from C. R. Nuetzel of the following described real estate situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: South half (S 1-2) of lot two (2) of the official plat of W-1-4 of the northwest quarter (nw 1-4) of the southeast quarter (se 1-4) of section fifteen (15), in township seventy-eight (78), north, of range twenty-four (24), now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, and because of your failure to perform the agreements and stipulations therein contained on your part, the Sacramento Suburban Fruit Lands Company, assignee of said contract, do now in accordance with the provisions of section 4299, title 21, chapter 8 of the code of 1897, cause the service upon you of this notice of their intention to cancel the said contract thirty (30) days after the completed service of this notice; unless within the said thirty days you perform all the obligations on your part now delinquent under said contract and make all payments of principal and interest and keep all the agreements now due and to become due within the said thirty days. Unless you perform all the obligations as above, your rights under the said contract and interest in and to the real estate therein described will be declared null and your rights shall cease and determine. Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, the 6th day of April, 1915. Sacramento Suburban Fruit Lands Company. By F. A. Bean, President. By Elnor Hoidale, Secretary.

Chance to Make Up. "Why so sorrowful, girl?" "We have parted forever. He wrote me to send back the ring." "Tell him to call for it," advised the experienced friend.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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An important message to the LADIES will appear in the Des Moines News Page Three Monday night Look for it!

The Negro a Challenge to American Democracy and Christianity

Surely the Negro is to be forgiven for an instinct to protect the Negro woman. For two hundred and fifty years she was absolutely without protection; and for the last fifty years, if protected, she has been protected sometimes at the cost and always at the peril of the life of the male member of her household. Is there a record anywhere else in human history that wife, sister, mother bore such a burden borne so well, and lost no more? Endowed with all the affections of her race and denied all the tenderness of her sex, for the first two hundred and fifty years her life was one incessant travail. But out of her original vitality of womanhood and motherhood she has for fifty years of partial freedom cheerfully supplied the sinews of the war. The physical and moral well being of the race are largely within her keeping. Virtue is a thing that is tried and proven, not a thing that is protected and innocent. Therefore the most virtuous creature in the United States of America is the virtuous Negro woman. Her resisting and enduring powers are of the highest order. In this she is a prototype and prophecy of what her race is to be if it will overcome. Her character is often assailed in fact and her reputation more often assailed in slander.

But those of us who know the Negro race know that the virtuous colored woman's name is legion and that her ranks are increasing. It seems almost absurd to feel the necessity of saying so, but the boldness of the slanderer elicits the defense. This woman has honored her sex by proving the virtue of womanhood as few groups of women in the history of the world have ever had the privilege of proving it. The worst elements of both races have been her pursuing enemy; and she has run the gauntlet of the double fire and delivered the destinies of a race.

Heredity and environment are the actors of destiny. Heredity is the multiplier and environment the multiplier. The Negro is a factor of American destiny; the nearer zero any factor is, the nearer zero will the product be. Justice cannot be corrupted for black men and remain pure for white men. Government cannot be tyrannical to the weak and democratic to the strong. American civilization will be what it is to the Negro.

The effect of segregation is felt in the Negro's education, public and private. There has been much effort to find a type of education which would fit the Negro for the status which the weight of American sentiment aimed to give him. If the aim is right, the educational principle is all right; if the Negro is to have a special place, he should have special preparation for that place. But if he is to be only an American citizen, he needs only such education as other American citizens. Now the Negro is not only good natured, but ten very cunning, and some of his saders affect to have accepted these imitations for the sake of present profits. These men are shrewd, not honest. They believe, as they privately acknowledge, that the only way to manage a white man is to allow him to be quietly, peaceably, comfortably and completely fooled. I tell you, white men, whenever you hear any of us saying directly or indirectly that our race does not want equality of status in all particulars with all other races in this country, we are simply lying to gain some temporary advantage. I know more black men than you, and I have never heard one contradict that statement, in private. If white men will investigate they will find that we never acknowledge the contrary except for the peace and comfort of white people.

Now as to politics; our first impulse is to wonder that nine-tenths of a democratic state could be so opposed to the voting power of one-tenth. Is Reconstruction the cause? But the intelligent Negro of today is not the ignorant Negro of reconstruction days. Besides, it was psychologically impossible earlier and now must remain forever impossible to know the truth about reconstruction. We can only judge off what must have been the distortions of reconstruction history by analogy with the distortions of present day Negro history; and we know that now, nearly fifty years after Reconstruction, with nearly fifty years more of civilization, Christianity and "free speech," not one American newspaper out of a hundred dares to tell the truth about the Negro. How, then, can we ever hope to have the truth handed down from the Ku Klux Klan? The Negro's argument for citizenship is based, not on the doubtful past, but on the eternal and demonstrable present. Is it a question of ignorance and unfitness in the Negro? The Negro can boast that he never has, does not and never will ask to be enrolled as a voter on any test more lenient than the test given white men. He will let the white man "set the pace" in the matter of attainable qualification. Is it a desire to preserve the white race? Does the history of the world and of the present European war teach us that races and nations are preserved by justness and bullying. Finally, is it a vague and inexplicable fear of the Negro? Well, if nine white men fear one Negro on general principles, they should be encouraged when they reflect how much the one Negro must fear the nine white men on the same principles.

Here again is where the Negro comes in: He tries to

the white man into the belief that Negroes are not interested in politics; that they regard balloting as a mere empty formality which might just as well be left to the leisure-loving and deluded white race, if only the long-headed Negro is granted such useful blessings as education, property and police protection.

Let us see. First, as to education: this trifling pastime of voting elects the educational officials, and the states which have disfranchised the Negro have relatively cut down his educational appropriation, in many cases shortening his school term and lowering his school grade. The same prejudice which pushed him away from the polls tends to push him out of the school. And now as to property right, have votes any bearing on that? Will money-getting per se improve the condition of the disfranchised or will it endanger his life by making him a richer prey for the mobocrat? Votes elect the taxers and decide the taxes. The power that can take one per cent of a man's property without his consent can take fifty per cent of it, and then the other fifty. The power to tax is the power to confiscate. But what about police protection, protection of civil rights, and fair treatment in public places? If the Negro will only give up his vote and his annoying insistence upon political equality, will not the officers elected by the votes of white people be so obligated to the Negro that they will be zealous in his interest, while the halls of legislature will fairly ring with enthusiasm for these admirable "wards of the nation?" That is a flat contradiction of human nature; elective officers are obligated to those who elect them; legislators look after the interests of those by whom they are sent; sheriffs respect the influence of those who can vote in the next election. Where the Negro is disfranchised, the white officers who have impulses to do him justice are handicapped; they must constantly choose between justice to the Negro and their own personal interests, a dangerous dilemma for human nature. As a result, in the very states where the Negro is disfranchised, he receives the least protection and incurs the most virulent attacks from the successful politician. To get the Negro question out of politics, give the Negro a fair ballot and he will vote it out, for if both races vote, no candidate who needs the votes of both will drag the race question into his campaign.

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You are hereby notified that at a regular tax sale held in and for Polk county, Iowa, on December 2, A. D. 1907, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots eighty-two and eighty-three (82 and 83), Charter Oak addition, which is now in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold to H. D. Bellamy for the payment of the taxes for the year 1906, thereon, and a certificate of purchase was duly issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, therefore, which certificate is now lawfully held and owned by W. H. Meredith.

That the time for redemption from said sale will expire and a deed for said lot will be issued to him by the treasurer of said Polk county, Iowa, unless redemption from said sale be made within ninety days from the completed service of this notice.

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Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that unless the said defendant's appear at my office in Des Moines on or before the 29th day of April, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at which time said above described property is hereby advertised to be sold, and pay off the amount of said execution, with interest and costs, I will sell said property, or sufficient thereof to satisfy said execution, with interest and costs, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, at Chase & West's, 312-314-316 Eighth street, in Des Moines, Iowa, for cash in hand to pay off said execution.

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