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Through the courtesy of Chairman Maddox of the national republican speakers' bureau and the efforts of Atty. S. Joe Brown, member of the Polk county republican central committee, Hon. Roscoe C. Simmons, conceded to be the most eloquent Negro orator of the national bureau, and who is himself the regular republican nominee for state representative for the Louisville district of Kentucky, visited our city last Saturday and Sunday and spoke to a large mixed audience of men and women of both races at the Crocker roller rink Saturday evening and at about 200 colored men only at the "Palm Sunday club" on Sunday afternoon.

At the meeting Saturday evening Mr. Simmons held his audience spell-bound for more than two hours, while in his inimicable and eloquent manner he portrayed the weakness and race prejudice that has been displayed by President Wilson and his party during the past three and a half years of his administration and appealed to the voters present to support Gov. Hughes and the entire republican ticket, including Lieut. Gov. Harding, candidate for governor of Iowa.

Music was furnished by the Capital City cornet band. After the meeting about thirty of Mr. Simmons' personal friends, with their wives, attended an elegant banquet in his honor at the "Palace Sweet" Cafe and enjoyed another address from the guest of honor, which was more in the nature of a heart to heart talk, in which he gave them some wholesome advice along the line of acquiring property, education and character.

WILSON MUST BE SNOWED UNDER.

Let us pass the word around to every voter that Wilson must be snowed under at the polls next month. He has been a disgrace to that high office.

Wm. H. Lewis, assistant attorney general, \$5,000. J. C. Napier, register of the treasury, \$4,000.

Chas. W. Anderson, collector internal revenue, New York, \$4,500. Henry W. Tyler, auditor for N. department, \$4,000.

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N. W. Alexander, register of the land office, \$2,500. J. E. Bush, receiver public monies, \$2,500.

Chas. A. Cotteill, collector of internal revenue, Honolulu, \$4,500. T. V. McAllister, receiver of public monies, Jackson, Miss., \$2,500.

Robert Smalls, collector of port, \$1,500. Jas. A. Cobb, special assistant attorney, Washington, \$2,000.

Diplomatic and consular service: Henry W. Furniss, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary at Port au Prince, Hayti, \$10,000. Geo. H. Jackson, consul, Cognac, France, \$2,500.

James W. Johnson, consul, Corinto, Nicaragua, \$3,000. Colored civil service employees: R. D. Venning, 2107 Fitzwater street, Philadelphia, Pa. W. A. Robinson, now practicing law in Chicago.

W. H. Connor, practicing medicine at Ft. Wayne, Ind. John Ratley, 12th and Zoo streets, N. W. Washington, D. C. Washington city postoffice: W. L. Wilkinson, 1716 P street, New York.

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For the above reason the 800,000 available Negro voters in the country, excluding the disfranchised south, should vote a straight republican ticket to regain whatever has been lost for the good of the country at large.

We must acknowledge that we are in a critical period, perhaps more critical than any period since the civil war.

We need a dominant sense of national unity; the exercise of our best constructive powers. We desire that the republican party as a great liberal party shall be the agency of national achievement, the organ of the effective expression of dominant Americanism.

Awake to obligation, erect in self-respect, prepared for every emergency, devoted to the ideals of peace instinct with the spirit of human individual opportunity and the public interest, maintaining a well ordered constitutional system adapted to local self-government without the sacrifice of essential national authority, appreciating the necessity of stability, expert knowledge and thorough organization as the indispensable conditions of security and progress.

A country loved by its citizens with a patriotic fervor, permitting no division in their allegiance and no rivals in their affection is what we want. (Signed) J. M. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bradford, Mesdames J. B. Mitchell, Maud Woods and L. J. Shelton.

BUXTON'S GREAT FIRE.

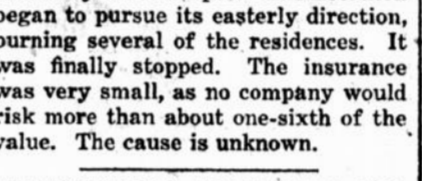
\$20,000 Damage—All To Colored People's Property—Coopertown Almost Completely Destroyed.

On last Friday, October 6th, at about 2 o'clock a. m. fire was discovered in one of Mrs. B. F. Cooper's grocery stores, and as there was no water supply nor no fire extinguishers, the people were unable to stop the fire until it had burned more than one-half of the business houses in Coopertown.

The list of property destroyed is as follows: The Buxton hotel, valued at \$10,000, owned by Reuben Gaines, Sr., with but little insurance; the Cooper drug store and stock, valued at \$5,000; Mr. Anderson's (white) grocery store building, owned by Mr. Cooper, store and stock of goods valued at \$5,000.

The next to go was the Masonic hall and equipment valued at \$1,000, partly insured; the Household of Ruth, the Eastern Star lodge hall and the tabernacle all destroyed, valued at \$2,000; the Buxton cigar factory, owned by Mr. Roberts, valued at \$500; the Grandberry tailor shop was the next building, valued at about \$300. Then the flames swept on east, reaching their amusement hall, which was owned by Mrs. Cooper. The fire then began to pursue its easterly direction, burning several of the residences. It was finally stopped. The insurance was very small, as no company would risk more than about one-sixth of the value. The cause is unknown.

OTTO STARZINGER, one of the regular republican candidates for the legislature from Polk county.



TWO NEW MAGAZINES.

Chicago seems to be fortunate for new magazines. The Champion Magazine is published by Mr. Binga, the banker. Its October number is indeed a very fine number, illustrated with many cuts, with some good strong editorials. It just meets my idea about a magazine. The Chicago Mid-Western, 3708 Wabash avenue, is another new magazine just out. It, too, is finely

illustrated by cuts, etc., with good reading matter, well edited. Mrs. C. C. Johnson of this city is agent for it. We wish both of these worthy race enterprises a good success.

OBSERVATION ON A TRIP FOR BARTLETT'S SCHOOL.

We left Dalton September 7th. As we reached Higbee a slow, steady rain was falling. We stopped here. We found the way to the colored school and found our old friend, Prof. Green Thompson, teaching school. He seemed to have a very bright little school.

We next made arrangements for a mass meeting at the Baptist church. After securing a lodging place for the time we were to remain in Higbee we went back to the school house and addressed the pupils. That day's work was done. The next morning dawned brightly, the rain clouds had rolled away, the sun shone down with its beauty and splendor and everything looked bright and prosperous to man.

We now set out to call upon prospectus students for Bartlett school at Dalton. We succeeded in interesting a few students, who promised to be at our school on the opening day. We observed several Negro homes in this town, a little above the average for towns of that size. In the evening we addressed a large and appreciative audience at the Baptist church. We made strong appeals for industrial education such as was being given at the Bartlett school.

Our next stop was Armstrong. This is a beautiful little town with a good population of colored people. The churches seemed to be alive. We went to the residence of our uncle. From here we started to find prospectus students and got the promise of several students who were anxious to get an industrial education. We observed that nearly all the colored people owned their own homes. Some were doing nicely. We found in this town two churches and two lodge halls. The churches seemed to be in a spiritual condition, being presided over by able divines. Sunday afternoon we addressed the Epworth League at the M. E. church. Sunday evening we preached to a large and appreciative audience at the Baptist church. We made a strong appeal for Bartlett school in order that its colors might float to the breeze.

Glasgow was our next stop. We made our way to the school house and found the school in session, under the leadership of Prof. Perkins. We here addressed the school, touching on industrial education and encouraging the young Negro to go to Bartlett and get a good industrial education and be able to enter any part of the commercial world.

We next set out to get prospectus students and got the promise of several. Here we met Prof. A. R. Chinn, who, after spending a number of years in school work, has retired from the business.

Slater was our next stop. At Slater we found our old friend, Prof. Lewis, teaching a good school and having good success. We found two who said they were interested in industrial education and were coming over to our school. We found Slater to be a good little town for colored people. Several colored men were employed in good positions. Many owning good homes and operating good businesses.

Our next stop was the Cow Creek settlement. In this community we found that the colored people owned nearly all the land in the district, that all the school board was composed of colored men, who managed all the school business of the district. There are three Negroes in this community who have recently bought automobiles. Here we called the people together in a mass meeting and made a strong appeal for the Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School, the farm life school of the state now offering the greatest advantages to the Negro youth of any school of its kind in the west, and got two students.

Our next stop was Marshall. We found Marshall in a prosperous condition. The Negroes are owning some good property and are advancing rapidly. Our next stop was Nelson. Here

we found the school in session. We also observed that in this town the children were increasing instead of diminishing, as we found in former places. We set out to canvass the town for students. We called upon and got the promise of several who were interested in industrial education and are going to Bartlett.

Our next stop was Blackwater. Here we found the Negro owning a better grade of homes than they owned nine years ago. Here we preached to a large audience and created a fine interest and enthusiasm for the school we represent.

Our next stop was Boonville. Here we found a fine modern and well equipped school building under construction, which when finished will be one of the nicest school buildings in the state. Here we interested one pupil, who is coming to our school. We then went home to prepare for the opening on September 18th.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

The Mothers' club met Wednesday, October 4th, at the home of the president, Mrs. Edd Reese. All the committees for the year were elected and a very interesting meeting was held.

Mr. Byron Newsom of Monmouth was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Jano Taylor, one of our oldest citizens, passed away at her home Wednesday, October 11th. She has been sick for a number of years, but grew weaker and death was expected. Funeral services were held at the A. M. E. church Friday, October 13. Rev. W. E. Williams of Clinton conducted the services.

Mrs. Maria Thornton and Messrs. Jeff Taylor and George Taylor of Chicago were here attending the funeral of their mother.

Miss Bernice Page, who has been seriously ill, is improving slowly. Mrs. Topp and Keith have returned from a visit with relatives in Monroe City, Mo.

The Kensington held a social in the church Saturday night. A neat sum was cleared.

Rev. Searcy of Ottumwa arrived in our city this morning to visit with his daughter, who is attending college here. He preached at the A. M. E. church Sunday night.

WHITEBERG, IOWA.

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MONMOUTH, ILL.

Mrs. Louis Baker, who has been visiting with friends in St. Louis, has returned home.

Mrs. S. P. Maupin and grandson, Owen Chambers, are visiting friends and relatives in Canton, Mo. While in Missouri they attended the Missouri conference at Macon.

The Sewing Circle of the A. M. E. church met this week with Mrs. Hettie Hubbard.

Hon. T. T. Allain, Negro republican speaker of Chicago, was here this week and gave a political speech at the republican meeting. He also spoke at both churches on the Sabbath. He was accompanied by Capt. W. S. Bradon of Chicago, who has recently returned from the border.

Mrs. Fred Skinner will entertain a company of friends with a sewing at her home Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lillian Catlin was in Roseville on Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Fred Barnett has purchased a new auto.

There was a republican meeting of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Ward, the newly Calvary Baptist church Thursday evening. Hon. T. T. Allain addressed the ladies.

Mr. G. J. Wallace, who recently received a quite painful accident by being hit on the head at the new bank building, is able to be back to work again.

OMAHA, NEB.

Miss Muriel Brown entertained at a surprise party in honor of her mother on Monday evening, October 16, at their residence, 2216 N. Twenty-seventh avenue. Covers were laid for about forty. Out of town guests were Mrs. Belle Christian, Mrs. Eva Hieronymus of Salt Salt City, Mrs. Jessie Smith of Cedar Rapids and Mr. W. T. Stevens of Denver, Colo. Mrs. Brown was the recipient of a large number of handsome presents. We trust she will live to see many more such birthdays.

Mrs. Minnie Brown entertained on Tuesday at luncheon for Mrs. Jessie Smith of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Blind Boone, the noted colored piano player, will play at Grove M. E. church Wednesday, April 18. Mr. Boone has been in the city for several days playing at the different white churches.

Miss Irene Phillips who has been ill for the past few weeks, is improving, but not able to be out.

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Our popular undertakers, the firm of Jones & Samuels, has moved from 519 East Court avenue to 107 East Walnut street, where they are fitting up a fine parlor. They are the only colored undertakers in our city and merit the united support of all of the colored people.

HON. R. C. SIMMONS VISITS DES MOINES.

Through the courtesy of Chairman Maddox of the national republican speakers' bureau and the efforts of Atty. S. Joe Brown, member of the Polk county republican central committee, Hon. Roscoe C. Simmons, conceded to be the most eloquent Negro orator of the national bureau, and who is himself the regular republican nominee for state representative for the Louisville district of Kentucky, visited our city last Saturday and Sunday and spoke to a large mixed audience of men and women of both races at the Crocker roller rink Saturday evening and to about 200 colored men only at the "Palm Sunday club" on Sunday afternoon.

At the meeting Saturday evening Mr. Simmons held his audience spellbound for more than two hours, while in his inimicable and eloquent manner he portrayed the weakness and race prejudice that has been displayed by President Wilson and his party during the past three and a half years of his administration and appealed to the voters present to support Gov. Hughes and the entire republican ticket, including Lieut. Gov. Harding, candidate for governor of Iowa.

Music was furnished by the Capital City cornet band. After the meeting about thirty of Mr. Simmons' personal friends, with their wives, attended an elegant banquet in his honor at the "Palace Sweet" Cafe and enjoyed another address from the guest of honor, which was more in the nature of a heart to heart talk, in which he gave them some wholesome advice along the line of acquiring property, education and character.

VOTE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 20, 1916. Before entering upon the 1916 campaign, let us carefully consider the relation which the Negroes sustain to the republican party, which gives them the greatest measure of justice and renders the greatest service to the country.

Pointing to President Wilson's record in the matter of race discrimination. In his speech at Independence hall, Philadelphia, July 4, 1914, when he was a candidate for the presidency, he gave assurances that he would not discriminate against Negro citizens of the United States.

Notwithstanding these assurances of support of the principle of equality before the law and in governmental affairs, great discrimination has been practiced, not only in the departments over which the president has indirect control, but also in appointments that are made by himself.

Under republican administrations the policy was pursued of appointing a colored man to fill the vacancy created by the resignation, death or expiration of term of a man of that race.

Wm. H. Lewis, assistant attorney general, \$5,000. J. C. Napier, register of the treasury, \$4,000.

Chas. W. Anderson, collector internal revenue, New York, \$4,500. Henry W. Tyler, auditor for N. department, \$4,000.

C. F. Adams, assistant register of treasury, \$2,500. Joseph E. Lee, collector of internal revenue, Jacksonville, \$4,500.

N. W. Alexander, register of the land office, \$2,500. J. E. Bush, receiver public monies, \$2,500.

Chas. A. Cotteil, collector of internal revenue, Honolulu, \$4,500. T. V. McAllister, receiver of public monies, Jackson, Miss., \$2,500.

Robert Smalls, collector of port, \$1,500. Jas. A. Cobb, special assistant attorney, Washington, \$2,000.

Diplomatic and consular service: Henry W. Furnise, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary at Port au Prince, Hayti, \$10,000. Geo. H. Jackson, consul, Cognac, France, \$2,500.

James W. Johnson, consul, Corinto, Nicaragua, \$3,000. Colored civil service employees: R. D. Venning, 2107 Fitzwater street, Philadelphia, Pa.

W. A. Robinson, now practicing law in Chicago. W. H. Connor, practicing medicine at Ft. Wayne, Ind.

John Ratley, 12th and Zoo streets, N. W. Washington, D. C. Washington city postoffice: W. L. Wilkinson, 1716 P street, New York.

P. W. Shippen, 1736 Tenth street, New York. Richard Chiles, Washington, D. C. Thos. Short, Washington, D. C. Henry Wood, dropped from clerk to common labor.

Government printing office: Geo. H. Proctor, 531 T street, N. W. Washington, D. C. Johnson J. Lester, Washington, D. C. Annie Silence (with Arnold), Fifteenth between B and S N. W. Sadie Henson, 473 Florida avenue, N. W.

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For the above reason the 800,000 available Negro voters in the country, excluding the disfranchised south, should vote a straight republican ticket to regain whatever has been lost for the good of the country at large.

We must acknowledge that we are in a critical period, perhaps more critical than any period since the civil war.

We need a dominant sense of national unity; the exercise of our best constructive powers. We desire that the republican party as a great liberal party shall be the agency of national achievement, the organ of the effective expression of dominant Americanism.

BUXTON'S GREAT FIRE.

\$20,000 Damage—All To Colored People's Property—Coopertown Almost Completely Destroyed.

On last Friday, October 6th, at about 2 o'clock a. m. fire was discovered in one of Mrs. B. F. Cooper's grocery stores, and as there was no water supply nor no fire extinguishers, the people were unable to stop the fire until it had burned more than one-half of the business houses in Coopertown.

The list of property destroyed is as follows: The Buxton hotel, valued at \$10,000, owned by Reuben Gaines, Sr., with but little insurance; the Cooper drug store and stock, valued at \$5,000; Mr. Anderson's (white) grocery store building, owned by Mr. Cooper, store and stock of goods valued at \$5,000.

The next to go was the Masonic hall and equipment valued at \$1,000, partly insured; the Household of Ruth, the Eastern Star lodge hall and the tabernacle all destroyed, valued at \$2,000; the Buxton cigar factory, owned by Mr. Roberts, valued at \$500; the Grandberry tailor shop was the next building, valued at about \$300. Then the flames swept on east, reaching their amusement hall, which was owned by Mrs. Cooper. The fire then began to pursue its easterly direction, burning several of the residences. It was finally stopped. The insurance was very small, as no company would risk more than about one-sixth of the value. The cause is unknown.

WILSON MUST BE SNOWED UNDER.

Let us pass the word around to every voter that Wilson must be snowed under at the polls next month. He has been a disgrace to that high office. As president he has lowered every high ideal and the dignity of our country is at a low ebb. He has done everything in his power to segregate, ostracize and destroy the hopes and aspirations of the Negro. He has turned out our employes who were under the civil service and replaced them by incompetent office seeking democrats. He is undoubtedly the worst man that has ever been elected president. He creates hatred among his own citizens and then compels the U. S. soldiers (colored) to ride through Texas in jim crow cars to go and protect the state of Texas from Mexico. If we are good enough to be asked to go to war then in the name of God treat us like other soldiers. Let every colored voter vote against Wilson.

OTTO STARZINGER, one of the regular republican candidates for the legislature from Polk county.

TWO NEW MAGAZINES. Chicago seems to be fortunate for new magazines. The Champion Magazine is published by Mr. Binga, the banker. Its October number is indeed a very fine number, illustrated with many cuts, with some good strong editorials. It just meets my idea about a magazine. The Chicago Mid-Western, 3708 Wabash avenue, is another new magazine just out. It, too, is finely

illustrated by cuts, etc., with good reading matter, well edited. Mrs. C. C. Johnson of this city is agent for it. We wish both of these worthy race enterprises a good success.

OBSERVATION ON A TRIP FOR BARTLETT'S CHOO.

We left Dalton September 7th. As we reached Higbee a slow, steady rain was falling. We stopped here. We found the way to the colored school and found our old friend, Prof. Green Thompson, teaching school. He seemed to have a very bright little school. We next made arrangements for a mass meeting at the Baptist church.

After securing a lodging place for the time we were to remain in Higbee we went back to the school house and addressed the pupils. That day's work was done. The next morning dawned brightly, the rain clouds had rolled away, the sun shone down with its beauty and splendor and everything looked bright and prosperous to man.

We now set out to call upon prospectus students for Bartlett school at Dalton. We succeeded in interesting a few students, who promised to be at our school on the opening day. We observed several Negro homes in this town, a little above the average for towns of that size. In the evening we addressed a large and appreciative audience at the Baptist church. We made strong appeals for industrial education such as was being given at the Bartlett school.

Our next stop was Armstrong. This is a beautiful little town with a good population of colored people. The churches seemed to be alive. We went to the residence of our uncle. From here we started to find prospectus students and got the promise of several students who were anxious to get an industrial education. We observed that nearly all the colored people owned their own homes. Some were doing nicely. We found in this town two churches and two lodge halls. The churches seemed to be in a spiritual condition, being presided over by able divines. Sunday afternoon we addressed the Epworth League at the M. E. church. Sunday evening we preached to a large and appreciative audience at the Baptist church. We made a strong appeal for Bartlett school in order that its colors might float to the breeze.

Glasgow was our next stop. We made our way to the school house and found the school in session, under the leadership of Prof. Perkins. We here addressed the school, touching on industrial education and encouraging the young Negro to go to Bartlett and get a good industrial education and be able to enter any part of the commercial world.

We next set out to get prospectus students and got the promise of several. Here we met Prof. A. R. Chinn, who, after spending a number of years in school work, has retired from the business.

Slater was our next stop. At Slater we found our old friend, Prof. Lewis, teaching a good school and having good success. We found two who said they were interested in industrial education and were coming over to our school. We found Slater to be a good little town for colored people. Several colored men were employed in good positions. Many owning good homes and operating good businesses.

Our next stop was the Cow Creek settlement. In this community we found that the colored people owned nearly all the land in the district, that all the school board was composed of colored men, who managed all the school business of the district. There are three Negroes in this community who have recently bought automobiles. Here we called the people together in a mass meeting and made a strong appeal for the Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School, the farm life school of the state now offering the greatest advantages to the Negro youth of any school of its kind in the west, and got two students.

Our next stop was Marshall. We found Marshall in a prosperous condition. The Negroes are owning some good property and are advancing rapidly.

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TOMMY ATKINS ENTERTAINS ALL LONDON WITH HIS CHEERINESS

Wounded Men, Just Back From France, the Most Optimistic, But They Won't Discuss Their Hurts or Adventures—There is Much Rivalry Between the Canadians and Australians and Sometimes They Settle Doubts With Fist Fights

London.—Notwithstanding the well-nigh total darkness of the nights and the number of wounded seen upon the streets, London life is not without its lighter shades, even in these crucial days of the great war.

round" we had the other night. What right have you to be living, anyway?"

Another young Canadian of the flying corps told of a joke he had played on the folks at home. He had not written for nearly a month, when along came a cablegram:

"No letters for weeks. Is anything wrong with the boy?"

Instances of the lightness of heart with which the soldiers go into the war are many.

Nor with the men ordinarily talk of where they "got it."

"Oh, somewhere out in No Man's Land," they'll say. One chatterbox of a Tommy went so far as to add:

"I was 'opping along from one dug-out to another when I ups and stumbles over something 'ard. I guess it must 'a been a bomb. Anyway, it blew me bloomin' foot off."

"Have something, Livvy?" asked one of his fellows in khaki.

"Sorry, but I can't tonight, old man," replied Livvy; "you see I have got a crippled friend to look after."

In came the friend, an even younger officer with right leg gone at the knee.

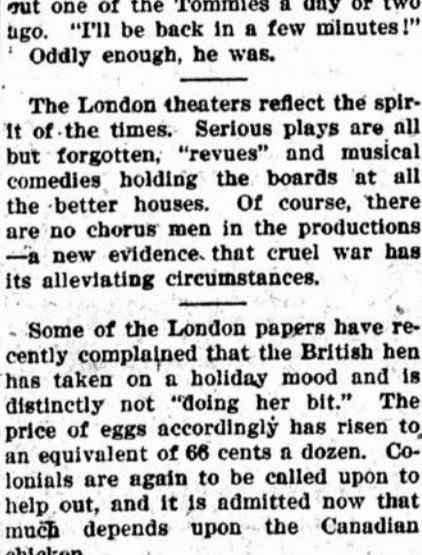
"We tossed a coin," explained Livvy, "to see which one of us would look after the other, and I lost."

But He Came Back. In this same hotel, which is a sort of headquarters for the officers from across the sea, a report was circulated one night of the death of a young flying corps captain.

Three days later Gil created consternation at the club by appearing very much alive and as hale and hearty as ever.

"Why, you old chucker," shouted one of his friends, "go back where you belong or pay us for that very expensive

HERE'S AN 8-FOOT BALLON



New York troops on the Texas border will use a balloon eight feet four inches long on election day.

Stowaway Talks Way Over. Philosopher Tells Ship Captain He Had Occasion to Remain Under the Hatch.

New York.—Four days out from Gibraltar, Capt. Fabio Figari of the San Guglielmo of the Sicilia Americana line, which arrived here recently, saw a man in the bow of the steamship looking Columbus-like toward the horizon.

proves irksome to them. One day shattered Tommy lifted his head from the stretcher a few days ago and hailed the chauffeur.

There is also the story of Tommy Dodd, the most cheerful and indomitable little fellow in his command.

"Looks almost like a Blighty for me, sir, don't it?" he said to an officer who ran to his rescue.

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Uncle Sam is taking good care of his ever-increasing class of teardrinking people, and in order better to protect them from impure or adulterated tea he maintains a special corps of examiners and assistant examiners.

It is the opinion of the Englishmen, and, indeed, some of our own experts here, that in spite of the fact that so much tea is consumed in the United States, Americans, as a rule, do not know how to make it properly.

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AFRO-AMERICAN CULLINGS

"I'm for taking care of the old folks that's left behind, helpless, in the South. The old slaves have got to have a home and, with the help of the Almighty and some prominent citizens, I'm going to see that they get it."

The grizzled old Negro drew himself up sturdily, with a look of mingled dream and determination on his face and the light of faith shining out of the depths of his sightless eyes.

Lymus Wallace was born a slave in Louisiana eighty-two years ago, and was thirty years old when President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation proclamation.

From the plantation of his old master, Thomas Rutland of Caldwell parish, Louisiana, Lymus moved up to Memphis, acquired a mule or two, and started hauling cotton.

For eight years he was a member of the legislative council of the board of public works—the only Negro elected to that responsible office.

The Wallace home—for Lymus has a wife living, and a family of grown-up children—is a cozy place at No. 613 South Lauderdale street, Memphis.

So you see Lymus himself is not one of the needy ex-slaves—he is rather a leader and uplifter of his race, and the old "uncles" and black mammys have a childlike confidence in his power to realize his ambitious dream, which has become theirs.

He has come north armed with a charter from the state of Tennessee and the indorsement of prominent Memphians, to see about raising \$25,000 as a starter for the establishment of a permanent home for former slaves, to be located at Memphis.

Stopping over at Washington, D. C., Lymus and his guide looked in at the state department with a letter of introduction to Hon. William J. Bryan.

But Mr. Bryan had just resigned from the cabinet, and that was his busy day, so the colored brethren came straight on to New York to present their credentials to some well-known Southerners, including Rev. Doctor Manning and F. D. Caruthers, vice president of the Tennessee society.

"How many of the old-time slaves do you reckon are living yet?" Lymus was asked.

"That's what we haven't got figured out, but there's plenty of 'em right 'round where I live. There were four million after the war, and a considerable percentage of these are surviving yet, for, you know, we's a long-lived race."

"You see, the trouble is that the younger colored people have mostly left the section and the old ones have had to shift for themselves. They did well enough at that, for awhile. But then the big floods of 1911 and 1912 came along and drowned 'em out. It was seeing so many of my generation of old slaves destitute that first put the suggestion of an asylum into my head."

In Hawaii grows the world's rarest plant, called the silver sword. Its very name is odd and appropriate to the cactuslike growth and the long, silky gray leaves which give it its peculiar name.

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You see, there's never been any grudge between us and our old masters. We didn't none of us know any better, and now that the war is over everybody is content to let bygones be bygones and look to the present and the near future.

Why, there's fine ladies all over the land, and gentlemen, too, that would never leave their old black mammys that nursed 'em come to want, if they knew it. Then, a good many of us colored men served in the war because we had to. And those that didn't stayed at the old home faithfully and took care of things until the unpleasantness was over.

The need of a suitable place to care for colored persons suffering from tuberculosis was illustrated when a girl, fourteen years old, in the last stages of consumption, was deserted in a rooming house, where she lived with her aunt, reports the Indianapolis News.

There are many cases in the city now where sufferers of tuberculosis are living in want. For ten years the Woman's Improvement club of colored women has had a fresh-air camp near Oak Hill, but citizens near the camp prevented the grounds being used for that purpose this year.

A few weeks ago two cases were reported to the club through the Flanner house settlement. There were children in both homes. No place has been found where either case can be cared for.

What is to be done? This is the question in the minds of the thinking class of colored people. Up to this time no colored patient has been cared for at the state institution for consumptives at Rockville. One or two exceptional cases were cared for several years ago at the Flower mission in this city, but recently the colored people have not been taken there.

There are perhaps more than 100 children now in the colored schools who are in the first stages of consumption, and some steps are being taken for a fresh-air school, which is badly needed.

A new rainfall record for the United States is 22.22 inches, made at Alta Pass, in Mitchell county, North Carolina, in the 24 hours preceding 2 p. m., July 26. Lee A. Denson, section director there of the weather bureau, announced that fact when he completed his report. Alexandria, La., previously led the country with 21.4 inches rainfall in a similar period.

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The KITCHEN CABINET

What is the birds so long as the fire of soul is kindled at the taper of conviviality, and the wing of friendship never molts a feather!

DATES AND FIGS.

Chopped dates or figs, mixed with chopped nuts and a little cream, make fine sandwich filling.



Fig Custard.—Wash a pound of figs and stew for an hour in water to cover; add to the juice a few strips of the peel of a lemon; make a custard of a quart of milk, four eggs, a half cupful of sugar, reserving one white for a meringue. Put two spoonfuls of the figs in each cup, fill with the custard, cover with a meringue and cook in hot water until the custard is thick.

Date Pie.—Wash a pound of dates and heat them in a quart of milk; when soft, stir in a beaten egg after rubbing the dates through a sieve, then pour into a baked pastry shell; add sugar if needed, and cover with sweetened whipped cream. Serve cold.

Dates are rich in nutrients and not too expensive to make good desserts for a light meal.

Fig Loaf Cake.—Take two cupfuls of chopped figs, two cupfuls of sugar, a half cupful of butter, one cupful of milk, four cupfuls of flour, two spoonfuls of baking powder, four eggs. Cream the butter, all the sugar, the four sifted with the baking powder alternating with the milk, until all of both is used; the yolks of the eggs may be added to the sugar while creaming, but the whites should be folded in the very last, using care to keep in all the air. Do all the beating and mixing before adding the egg whites. A fine-grained cake is made so by the hard beating it gets before the eggs are folded in. The figs are cut fine, mixed with a little of the flour and stirred in just before the whites are added.

Date Macaroons.—Beat five egg whites until stiff, fold in a half pound of powdered sugar, a cupful of chopped dates, a half cupful of chopped nuts, and a half cupful of grated coconut. Beat until stiff and roll in balls.

Dates added to brown bread or used as filling, finely chopped, added to boiled frosting, with a few nuts, is most delicious.

It is too common in all of us, but it is especially in the nature of a clean mind to be overawed by the clothes and fine furniture of Dickens.

GOOD EATABLES.

Make a good turkey dressing and spread it over a two-pound round steak. Roll it up and tie securely and boil it in a cloth bag in boiling water for two hours. About a half hour before serving, take it from the bag and brown it in the oven. Serve with a good brown sauce or with a seasoned tomato sauce and chopped green peppers.

Smothered Tomatoes.—Cut six small tomatoes in halves across the grain. Arrange them in a baking dish with the skinside down. Pour over them three tablespoonfuls of melted butter and some finely minced parsley. Season with pepper and salt and cover with another pan and cook until the tomatoes are soft.

Green tomatoes cut in slices and fried in hot bacon until brown and tender are well liked as a change. Serve as a vegetable with steak.

Ham Trifle.—Chop one cupful of cold boiled ham, three hard-cooked eggs and five soda crackers. Roll two cupfuls of milk; add to this a good-sized piece of butter and thicken with a teaspoonful each of flour and mustard. Stir into this the chopped ham, eggs and crackers, and add a tablespoonful of minced parsley. Put into a baking dish and bake for half an hour.

Beef Olives.—Pass through a meat chopper several times until fine; half a pound of raw beef, half a pound of cold, cooked meat and half a pound of bread which has been soaked in water; a little parsley and a piece of fat salt pork about the size of an egg. Season this and add to it an egg. Mix well and roll into balls. Wrap each ball in oiled paper to hold it together while cooking. Bake them in the oven in a pan, into which place some finely chopped carrots, two tablespoonfuls of canned tomatoes, an onion, chopped, and a little water. Remove it to a hot platter and add a little flour to the gravy. Strain the gravy over the beef olives and serve very hot.

Tapoca Pudding.—Soak a cupful of pearl tapioca in cold water overnight; then cook it until clear. Stir in a cupful of sugar and a cup of preserved strawberries or tart jelly. Serve cold with cream.

Tripe and Onion Curry.—Slice one large Spanish onion and cut into dice a pound of boiled tripe. In a frying pan melt two tablespoonfuls of butter, lay in the onions and cook until yellow. Sprinkle over the onions a teaspoonful of curry and a tablespoon-

ful of flour, then add gradually a cupful of white stock. When smooth add salt and pepper to taste and the prepared tripe. Simmer gently for five minutes.

Oh, if the berry that stains my lips could teach me the woodland chat, Science would bow to my scholarships, And theology doff the hat.

GOOD OLD PUMPKIN TIME.

There are as many kinds of pumpkin pies as there are tastes for them. Some like the pies stiff with pumpkin, others so little that it is a custard flavored with pumpkin, but first get your pumpkin.

The sweet pie pumpkins are so common now that the field variety has almost disappeared in the markets. The small ones cook quicker and have a better flavor. For all dishes where pumpkin is used the first process is the same. Cook it until it is dry and brown, this develops the flavor. Some cut it in pieces and after removing the seeds and fiber bake it until it is soft and can be scooped out of the shell. Whether boiled, steamed or baked it should be thoroughly done, finely mashed and sifted through a sieve. For the ordinary taste one cupful of pumpkin is used to a pint of milk, two eggs, a teaspoonful of ginger, a few drops of lemon extract, a teaspoonful of salt, and sugar to make of the desired sweetness.

Pumpkin Muffins.—Sift together two cupfuls of flour, half a teaspoonful of salt, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, beat two eggs and add them to two-thirds of a cupful of milk and a cupful of sifted pumpkin; mix well and add a fourth of a cupful of melted butter; turn into hot greased muffin pans and bake 20 minutes in a hot oven.

Creole cooks serve pumpkin cooked as one does squash, baking it in the shell and serving it with butter. Pumpkin served seasoned with butter, salt and pepper after it is well mashed makes a most agreeable vegetable.

A most delicious way of serving pumpkin and one which is enjoyed by all pumpkin pie lovers is to fill small cases with the pie mixture and bake. You get all of the filling with little crust and that crust easier to digest than pastry. The custard may be cooked and just added to the cases when serving.

Pumpkin pie covered with whipped cream and sprinkled generously with a savory rich grated cheese is a dish liked by all.

Pumpkin may be dried or canned and so ready to use at any time during the year.

Pure and unselfish friendship is the most beautiful thing in the world. The beauty of it is so great and rich that it swallows up absolutely all meaner things.

FOR THE CHAFING DISH.

As the cool evenings are upon us the chafing dish suppers are most appealing. The dishes which may be prepared are numberless. Sweet breads are greatly favored. They are prepared in the usual way by blanching and removing all of the pipes and skin, then cut in large dice and cooked in thickened chicken stock. One may not always have chicken stock on hand, but a can of chicken soup is easy to open, and should always be on the emergency shelf. Flavor the soup with a bit of onion, add a teaspoonful of curry powder and a few drops of lemon juice. With this serve a dish of peas.

For patty shells the following filling may be used: Add aspiragous tips to sweetbreads, mix with white sauce, mashed yolks of two eggs, a cupful of thin cream and a few slices of stuffed olives. Serve hot. The cream need not be added if the sauce is thin and rich enough.

Some like curry with lobster; mix a paste of olive oil, a half teaspoonful of mustard, and paprika, salt and curry to taste; lay the lobster with a little butter in this and cook ten minutes.

Savory Toast.—Cover slices of toast with grated cheese and set in the oven. Cut into pieces eight large mushrooms, or if the fresh are unavailable use a half can of buttons; fry two minutes in a blaze with three tablespoonfuls of butter. Add gradually six eggs and stir until thick, season with salt and pepper and pour piping hot over the toast.

Curried Chicken.—Take two cupfuls of cold cooked chicken, cut in bits, one cupful of gravy, and one teaspoonful each of minced onion and curry powder, one tablespoonful of butter and salt to taste. Cook the onion in the butter, mix the curry smoothly into the gravy, add to the chicken and simmer ten minutes. Boiled rice is a usual accompaniment to curry and well chilled bananas are also good.

Try frankforts heated in cream, served with toast.

Nellie Maxwell

It is believed to be no rare occurrence for a condor to soar 4,000 feet above the earth.

Vegetable silk, which, like cotton, is valuable only for stuffing, is made from the seeds of a Brazilian tree.

Turkeys derived their name from the fact that they were imported first into Europe through Turkey.

Mines of some descriptions are found in 26 of the 31 states and territories in Mexico, and mining is the most productive industry of the country.

THIRTY THOUSAND AMERICAN TROOPS IN REVIEW



Down at the Mexican border recently 30,000 American troops were reviewed by the commanding officers. It was the longest line of United States soldiers seen since the review of the Grand Army in Washington at the close of the Civil war.

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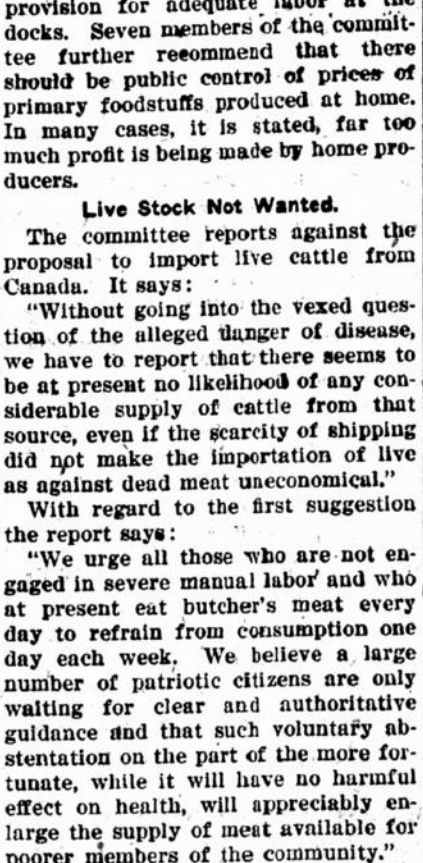
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BABY 'GATORS LATEST FAD

Fashionable women at Florida resorts last winter and spring started the fad of wearing baby alligators as ornaments. Now you may see women in New York, Chicago and other northern cities wearing them with silk ribbon loops or gold chains. This is a picture of Miss Ampario Farrar and two reptilian babies 28 days old.

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The HOME BEAUTIFUL



An Attractive Arrangement of Plants in the House.

THE INDOOR GARDEN

By ELIZABETH VAN BENTHUYSEN.

I imagine that most of my readers are now having their joys and sorrows with the indoor garden—that sole substitute for the out-of-door theater of the good months. But as half a loaf is better than no bread, so the pleasure of having a few flowers in the house during the cold months is worth all the time and trouble that it requires, and the added consolation is present that one need not be entirely without color and fragrance even though the winds are blowing a dirge outside.

There is hardly a real lover of flowers in the world who has not at least tried to make an indoor winter garden. Some of us cling with more tenacity than others to the expedient, but sooner or later it comes to every flower lover as either a hope or a disappointment. I am convinced that the latter state is reached it is through either ignorance or lack of patience.

The intimate association that one has with the few plants which may be nurtured throughout the winter makes them all the dearer. One becomes better acquainted with them. They become actually members of the family, and they take on the character of children as they are given more and more the sort of solicitude care that a mother might be expected to bestow upon an invalid child.

Light, moisture, warmth, fresh air and protection from insects are the prime essentials of the winter garden. Most flowering plants ought to have the full sun for at least a part of the day. A number of the foliage plants will do very well without the direct rays, if there be plenty of light.

The heat in the room where plants are to be kept must be under control so that a temperature of from 40 to 60 degrees may be maintained overnight. Even where it is only possible to maintain 40 degrees of heat most of the ordinary house plants can be kept, if they can be protected during especially cold weather from frost striking through the windows.

One often finds it possible to cut off a bay window, or other like window space, so that it may be sheltered by screens or curtains running well up to the ceiling. Thus the particular part of the room may be kept warmer at night and in an atmospheric state better suited to the plants.

Generally speaking, the question of proper moisture is the most neglected feature of the winter garden problem. It is a happy sequel that the problem is easily regulated. The greatest trouble is to know just what the plants require. Moisture in the air is just as essential as moisture on the soil. Steam heat and the improved methods for supplying winter comfort to people, takes the vitalizing element out of the air. It can be remedied by placing vessels of water on radiators, or near stoves where plants are kept in the room. The evaporation of the water attends to this necessary detail quite well.

In providing moisture for the soil it is likely that the amateur will overdo the trick more often than it will be underdone. Many of the plants will take a winter snooze through the cold months and will require little soil moisture. Plants in bloom and in active growth, of course, require more. In many cases thorough drainage must be provided because a water-saturated soil will prove fatal and you must remember that it is quite possible to drown a plant.

Escaping illuminating gas or coal gas will poison your plants. They are very sensitive and must have air to breathe that is not polluted. A flower will discover gas poison before the average person will do so. Keep your

plants clean. Insects thrive on dirty plants. They also propagate more rapidly indoors than out. Light spraying is almost a necessity.

Diversified farming may be the watchword of the time, but it is not the principle to follow in the house garden. To have a little of everything generally means that you will not have much of anything. The varieties must be limited. A number of plants of the same habit and color are much better than a collection.

Begonias will give a touch of color to the winter garden. A temperature of 55 degrees is required for them, and they can be propagated by tubers, leaves or cuttings. The gloxinia requires heat in the early stages. The easiest method of propagation is from tubers direct. The amaryllis, or hippeastrum, makes a handsome pot plant. Its flowers are large and they vary in tint. They require very little water to make a winter success.

The banana requires a fairly warm spot for the best results, but it makes a fine plant for winter blooming. The spirea, with its creamy masses and delicate odor is always a valuable factor. Good drainage and plenty of moisture are required.

HOW TO GROW SWEET PEAS

By BETTY.

First of all select a good variety and sow as soon as a Baptist church your particular part of the globe.

It is bad business to plant your sweet peas on the same ground successive years. If your garden is too small to allow of a change of site each year, remove the old soil and fill in with new.

This soil should be rich and deep and prepared early—the fall of the year is a good time—if this can be done. Dig into the ground thoroughly slaked lime and wood ashes.

The ideal soil for growing sweet peas is a good rich, turfy loam, thoroughly enriched with rotted manure or bonemeal, in proportion of three-fourths soil to one-fourth fertilizer, according to the condition of the soil.

In sowing the peas do not sow them too thickly or too thinly—a fair average is one package of seed to ten feet of garden—should the peas grow too thickly thin out to about two inches apart.

Pulverize the soil in the trench before sowing your seeds. To a depth of three inches see that the soil is exquisitely fine. Sow the seeds in double row about ten inches apart, about two inches below the surface. Arrange brush for trailing the vines, the brush should run from five to eight feet above the ground. It is a good plan to arrange these supports when the seed is sown.

Sweet peas suffer from dry and hot weather. Water them frequently and thoroughly and give them an application of liquid manure once a week.

Apply a good heavy mulch of long-straw manure around the sweet peas, as soon as the ground sets in. This keeps the ground from drying out and keeps the soil cool.

The life of the vine is greatly lengthened if every seed pod is removed as soon as they appear and by the constant cutting of the flowers.

A partial shade during the hottest part of the day is very essential to secure the best color in the blooms.

The greatest enemy sweet peas have is the cutworm and they often prevent getting a stand of good sweet peas. They usually take the young shoots as soon as they appear. Watering with lime water helps to keep out the cutworms. A handful of grass dipped in a solution of paris green will sometimes attract and exterminate the worms.



An Unusual and Artistic Planting Scheme.

