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THE SITUATION IN METHODISM

Joint Commission on Union Fails to Agree.

LENGTHY DEBATE IS HELD

Representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church North and South Refer Whole Matter Relating to Status of 350,000 Members to a Special Committee.

Cincinnati.—The future status of the 350,000 colored people who are members of the Methodist Episcopal church north and south was one of the big topics for discussion at the meeting of the joint commission on union held at Baltimore from Dec. 28, 1916, to Jan. 3, 1917. No agreement, however, was reached on the subject, and the matter has been referred to a special committee, which will meet in Cincinnati April 10 in order to make further study of the question and make a report to the full commission, which will meet June 27.

The more important features of the difference of opinion between the two bodies find expression in the following:

First.—Powers and restrictions of the general conference, or should the general conference be sole interpreter of the constitutionality of its own acts, or should there be a tribunal outside of the general conference with power, in the nature of a supreme court, to decide upon the constitutionality of any act of the general conference.

Second.—Should the united church of 7,000,000 people be divided into jurisdictional or regional conferences for the conduct of the local church work and the handling of problems peculiar to sections and peoples?

Third.—What relationship should the 350,000 colored people in the Methodist Episcopal church sustain to the united church of 7,000,000 of white people? Should they be a jurisdictional conference having a voice and vote in the general conference of the united church along with the white people, or should they be an independent body holding only fraternal relations to the white body?

It is reported that the principal block to union is the colored membership of the Methodist Episcopal church. The southern Methodists insisted upon the colored people not being in the general conference with power to vote and make laws. The Methodist Episcopal church commissioners insisted that the colored people were a part of the church; hence no one could displace them in that right save the colored members themselves. Moreover, at the last general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in the quadrennial address of the bishops this statement appeared:

"In the Methodist Episcopal church the colored members sustain precisely the same relation to the church that the white members do. Both laymen and the preachers share in all the rights and privileges, including immunities and emoluments guaranteed any other members, and we desire and expect them to continue in membership in our church."

That declaration is supposed to settle the status of Negro Methodist Episcopalians in the united church. The colored men on the commission, Drs. R. E. Jones, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, New Orleans, La., and I. Garland Penn of Cincinnati, corresponding secretary of the Freedmen's Aid society, acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner. They engaged in all the discussions, and those who were loudest in praise of their addresses were the commissioners from the southern church, although the stand of the colored men was for representation in the general conference with voting power equal to any others.

The following committee was appointed to make further study of the Negro membership involved in the union question:

Bishop Earl Cranston, Washington; Rev. J. W. Van Cleve, Chicago, general secretary of commission on finance; Rev. J. J. Wallace, D. D., editor of the Pittsburgh Christian Advocate; Rev. R. E. Jones, D. D., New Orleans, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate; George Warren Brown, capitalist and shoe manufacturer, St. Louis; Dr. I. Garland Penn, corresponding secretary of the Freedmen's Aid society, Cincinnati; Judge Henry Wade Rogers, United States district court, New York; from the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Bishop Collins Denny, Richmond, Va.; Rev. W. W. Ainsworth, pastor of the Wesley Monumental church, Savannah, Ga.; Rev. W. J. Young, D. D., professor of the Chandler School of Theology, Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. John M. Moore, D. D., corresponding secretary of the home mission board, M. E.

Church South, Nashville, Tenn.; Judge H. H. White, Alexandria, La.; P. D. Maddin, attorney-at-law, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. H. N. Snyder, president of Wofford college, Spartanburg, S. C.

True Reformers Are Making Progress. The Pittsburgh division of the Grand United Order of True Reformers is shaping its plans for larger work during 1917. The order is doing well under the leadership of Mrs. A. E. Goldston, chief of the division. The division will devote much of its time to the Rosebud department.



REV. McCRAVEN.

A Useful Citizen.

Rev. Henry McCraven has been a city missionary for a good many years. He was born in Mt. Sterling, Montgomery county, Kentucky, in 1856, July 4th. His early childhood was spent in Glasgow, Missouri, in slavery. He came to Des Moines in 1873, and entered school. After going through grammar school, he went to Missouri and taught school two terms among his people. He was ordained a minister in 1884 by Bishop Brown. In 1886 he was ordained as a deacon; in 1888 ordained as an elder; in 1884 he was elected as janitor in the house of representatives, and re-elected in 1886, and also as toll collector of the colored people of Polk county, Iowa. The 21st day of October, 1884, he was appointed as honorary commissioner of Iowa to represent the colored people at the cotton exposition in New Orleans, and again in 1903 he was appointed on the committee of arrangements to receive President Roosevelt as a representative of the colored people of Des Moines. He also canvassed the state of Iowa for President Garfield with P. D. Brown, and has also served several times as a juror of Polk county, Iowa, and is now a member of the Polk county republican central committee. He belongs to the Christian church, yet he works among all denominations.

CONDOLENCE.

Scandia, Iowa, Jan. 8.—Whereas God in His all-wise providence saw fit to send that grim messenger, death, into our Taborian chain and take a link out, we will miss her. Dr. Fannie Clayborn was a good member. She was past H. P. and loyal to all of her duties as a Christian and a true daughter of Tabor. We, the members of Auctic Tabernacle, No. 472, do extend to Brother Clayborn and family our heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour of their bereavement of their dear wife and mother. We, the members of Auctic Tabernacle, No. 472, commend them to God, who doeth all things well. We, the members of Auctic Tabernacle, have lost a true daughter. Our loss is heaven's gain. She can't come to us, but we can go to her. Now let us be true and faithful and we shall see her again. When we assemble around in our Taborian hall the vacant chair and a broken link which was broken on earth will be bound in heaven. We will say to the family and friends, She has gone; you will ever miss her in the home; wife and mother has gone.

We, the members of Auctic Tabernacle, recommend that a copy will go to the family, one be spread on our minutes and one go to Bystander.

We will say as the poet:

If I must die, Lord, let me die with hope in Jesus' blood, the blood that saves from sin and guilt and reconciles to God; if I must die, then let me die in peace with all mankind.

Farewell, farewell, farewell, dear daughter, Thy labor on earth is done, Thy soul is at rest in peace with God, Thy work is done; rest, rest, rest.

Dt. Mattie Brooks, G. H. P. of Iowa Jurisdiction.

MOBERLY, MO., NEWS.

This has been a warm Xmas. The weather was pleasant and the Xmas spirit prevailed.

Miss Onetta Carr is on the sick list. All the churches held Xmas trees and programs.

The Methodist church is progressing nicely under the leadership of their new pastor, Rev. Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bartlett entertained at dinner New Year's day.



PASTOR RESIGNS.

Rev. M. W. Alexander.

Rev. M. W. Alexander, who has been pastor of Union Congregational church for about two and one-half years, has resigned to take effect February 1, 1917. Rev. Alexander is one

of the ablest and earnest Christian ministers in our city and has no equal in Iowa as an orator. He came from Meridian, Miss., although born in Texas. He and his amiable wife have made a host of friends since coming here by their high ideals and Christian character, who will regret to see them leave. They will locate in La

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

A large number of the colored people of the city have felt somewhat keenly the condition in theater houses which compels them to be seated in a certain section when they pay the same price of admittance as other purchasers of tickets. A movement has been on foot for some time to secure a reputable down town picture house, and at this time I am pleased to advise that the colored people of the city of Des Moines have the opportunity to purchase their own amusement house, centrally located, and one of the best constructed houses in the city, the Strand Theater. This can be purchased by the colored people and remain under white management if they so desire. This is an opportunity for the colored people to secure the only exclusive colored house in the state. Stock can be purchased at \$25 per share. Now is the time to show your patriotism and send in your subscription. Pictures of the same grade as shown at all high class theaters will be shown here. The cost of operating will not exceed \$200 per week, including all expenses. The receipts will run at least \$500 per week, if every one takes an interest in this venture. With a profit of \$300 per week you can readily see what good dividends the venture will pay, and not only should we look at the dividends, but the thing which ought to appeal to us the most is the fact that we would have a place of amusement where we could go and pay our money and sit wherever we wished and not feel as though we were compelled to take any section of the house and stay there, like a whipped child. The success of the venture will depend upon your co-operation. Those desiring to join the company kindly fill out the enclosed blank, stating name and address Department D and mail to the office of this paper. Kindly do this at once.

Kindly consider me an applicant for stock.

Name

Address

When can you be interviewed.....

Those present report they did full justice to the sumptuous repast.

Miss Mattie Renfro of Jacksonville, Mo., was in the city New Year's, the guest of Mrs. Wm. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Watts have recently closed a deal with hte Burlington Railroad company, selling their beautiful West Rollins street home for a neat sum.

Miss Lee Etta Owens is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Williams.

We are glad to say at this writing Mrs. Henry Taylor is much better.

We have had two very destructive fires recently. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Brown on the East Side was totally destroyed by fire last week. Mrs. Brown is an invalid and barely escaped being burned. Mrs. Hartley Davis lost her beautiful home Friday night. Everything was lost even to her beautiful diamonds.

Mrs. Anthony Williams and daughter spent Thursday, Friday and Saturday visiting relatives in Jackson-

ville, Macon and Bevier.

Mr. Raydell Collins of Chicago spent the Xmas with his aunt, Mrs. Fannie Davis.

Miss Nannie May Erickson is spending a few days in Columbia.

Lincoln school opened Tuesday morning with a good enrollment.

Mrs. Kate Derrick has a lady friend visiting her from Bloomfield.

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Mr. Ovel Carter of Buxton was in Moberly a few hours Wednesday, calling on school friends and on his way to Jefferson, where he is attending school.

Mrs. Loss Quinn entertained the Embroidery club Friday night.

Stomach Trouble Cured. If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Tablets. Mr. J. P. Klote of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamber-

lain's Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by all dealers.

BUXTON, IOWA.

(Special.)

Mrs. Ellen Welch was born in St. Charles county, Missouri, A. D. 1837, and died at the Monroe county home December 28, 1916, being at the time of her death 79 years old. In 1866 she was married to Mr. Perry Welch, who died in 1902. Mrs. Welch was the mother of two children, who are dead. After emancipation she became a member of the Baptist church (colored) at St. Charles, Mo. From there she moved to Warren county, Missouri, and became a member of the Hopewell Baptist church. Mrs. Welch moved to Iowa in 1892 and became a member of the Union Valley Baptist church of Muchakinoek. She came to Buxton in 1901 and became a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist church, to which she belonged at the time of her death. She was a faithful member and lived a consistent Christian life. She was a charter member of the G. A. Hackett Tabernacle, No. 64. She leaves to mourn her demise four grandchildren, ten nieces and nephews and other relatives and a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ashby wish to thank the good people of Buxton for their deeds of kindness during the illness and death of their aunt, Mrs. Ellen Welch.

DAVENPORT ITEMS.

Miss Otie McGaw passed away at her home, 944 Grand avenue, last week, after an illness of ten months' duration. Miss McGaw was a charming young lady, beloved by all who knew her.

Mrs. Alberta Carter has been on the sick list, but is slowly recovering. The friends of Miss Nellie Buckner were surprised to hear she was united in marriage to Mr. Leonard Lewis of Centerville. Mr. Lewis is to be congratulated.

Miss Elizabeth Redd of Washington visited several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Johnson.

The E. L. D. club is taking on new life and much interest is shown in their meetings.

Rev. F. K. Nicholson has been seriously indisposed for nearly two weeks. He was able to attend church and preach last Sunday.

Bethel A. M. E. church will have a new rally Sunday, January 28th.

There will be a benefit entertainment given by prominent dramatic artists at Calvary Baptist church for the benefit of the Third Baptist church. Date to be announced later.

MT. PLEASANT, IOWA.

Mrs. G. M. Harris, a well known resident of this city, passed away very suddenly at her home on East Madison street Sunday morning. To mourn the loss of a loving wife and devoted mother she leaves a husband, one son, William, and four daughters, Nora, who is teaching at Atlantic City, N. J., Grace of Buxton and Bertha and Viola at home.

Mrs. Jeanette McCain passed away at her home on Cherry street Monday morning. To mourn her loss she leaves a son, Ross, of Minneapolis, and two sisters, Mrs. H. Foster of this city and Mrs. E. Wallace of Monmouth and three brothers, Daniel of this city, Charles of Washington and Edd of Denmark.

Mrs. Hodge of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. Adkins.

Mrs. Ethel Williams of Chicago and little son, Eugene, are visiting relatives.

Mrs. Beatrice Williams of Chicago has returned, after a short visit with relatives.

Master Louis Hubbard is on the sick list.

Miss Etta Searcy, who attends Iowa Wesleyan, has returned from her home in Ottumwa.

Mr. Harold Gooch of Ottumwa has returned to resume his school work at Iowa Wesleyan.

Mrs. Lula Topp was called to Layton, Mo., on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Rev. Thomas is in Centerville assisting in revival meetings.

Mrs. Pearl McGill of Fairfield visited at the home of Mrs. G. Foster on Sunday.

OTTUMWA, IOWA.

Mrs. Minnie Bibb entertained a number of friends at a 7 o'clock dinner party Wednesday, January 10th. Elaborate four-course refreshments were served.

Quite a number of Ottumwans are on the sick list. Mrs. J. H. Weeks has been quite ill since Xmas, but is improved at this writing. Mrs. John McClellan is improving, also Mrs. Milton.

Miss Etta Searcy has returned to Mt. Pleasant to resume her studies at Iowa Wesleyan.

Mrs. Jordon on Ash street is seriously ill at her home.

Esther chapter, No. 4, O. E. S., held its election of officers in December. The following were elected and installed: W. M., Emma Smith; W. P.,

Geo. Bailey; A. M., Cleo Thompson; treasurer, Mary F. Bailey; secretary, Anna McClellan; conductress, Mattie Weeks; assistant conductress, Cora Hennington; warder, Mary Taylor; sentinel, F. W. Smith; Ada, Mary Wilson; Ruth, Mate Clark; Esther, Daisy Cason; Martha, Sue Harris; Electa, Flossie Williams.

Mrs. Nellie Ross has returned from Minneapolis, where she has been visiting friends.

Quite a number of our young men are taking advantage of the ice for skating.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

The Misses Cordelia and Marie Whaley are visiting relatives at Memphis, Mo.

The Rev. Greer of the Reformed Presbyterian church preached at the A. M. E. church on last Sunday evening.

Mrs. Walter Williams was a guest of relatives at Muscatine a few days last week.

Miss Edna Jones of Oskaloosa was a guest of relatives a few days last week and Miss Luba Gwim entertained a small company of friends in her honor on last Saturday evening at her home.

At the quarterly conference held at the A. M. E. church last week A. L. Hall, W. H. Rhodes and Thos. Lewis were confirmed as stewards.

Those who were sick and convalescing: Mrs. Chas. McKain, Mrs. Henry Campbell, Mrs. Emma Black, Mrs. Eliza Haines, Mrs. N. L. Black, and the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ballew is not getting along as well as it is wished for.

Word from Albert Greenway, who is at Denver, Colo., for his health, is to the effect that he is holding his own with a good chance for the betterment of his health, which his friends will be glad to hear.

Walter Williams went out hunting one day early this week and had the misfortune to break through the ice on the creek and got his foot soaking wet, and being some distance from any house his foot was frozen before he could get to a place of comfort, and consequently is suffering some from the accident.

J. D. Daniels contemplates making a business and pleasure trip to Chicago in the near future.

Word from Howard Motts, who is wintering in Minneapolis, is that he is enjoying the winter sports of the frozen north.

Robert Crump, of North Dakota, has written to friends here that he is contemplating returning to Washington to make this the home of the family in the future. We welcome him and his good family.

Mrs. Jessie Turner is the new chorister of the A. M. E. church senior choir, and the choir seems to be taking on new life.

OSKALOOSA, IOWA.

Miss Edna Jones left Thursday for Quindora, where she resumes her school work, after spending the Christmas vacation with relatives here and Ottumwa. She went by the way of Washington, where she visited a few hours with her sister, Mrs. Theodore Turner.

Rev. J. S. Woods, pastor of the A. M. E. church, left Monday, January 9th, for Chicago, where he will visit with his family.

Under the management of Henry Allen an excellent program was rendered Sunday night at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Cora Jones was called to Burlington on Saturday by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Sarah Watkins.

Miss Irene Mitchell is suffering with a cold.

Mrs. Effie Weeks of Chicago is a guest in the home of her mother, Mrs. Fannie Wilson Smith. She returns the last of the week, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Bertha.

Carl Moore has a touch of pneumonia.

This is the week of cottage prayer meetings, preceding the A. M. E. revival meetings.

The next meeting of the Mothers' club will be held at the home of Mrs. Cora Jones on Thursday, January 28. Bible study. Come.

Geo. Jones is suffering with pleurisy. Dr. Johnston is the attending physician.

Mrs. Robt. Johnson planned and carried out a most successful surprise on Monday night for her pastor, Rev. I. J. Penney, the occasion being his birthday anniversary. Many beautiful and useful presents were presented. After refreshments were served by Mrs. J. the crowd departed, proclaiming her a wonder.

Rogee Jones has accepted a job with the Ford people.

Mrs. Isabelle Allen Brown and son, Robert Henry, of Indianapolis, are guests in the home of her mother, Mrs. Henry Allen. The little fellow is suffering from a severe cold.

Thomas Brown is numbered among the sick.

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EDITORIALS

THEATER OWNED BY COLORED PEOPLE.

Elsewhere under the title of "A Great Opportunity," is an offer made by some capitalist white to buy the building where the Strand theater is now located on West Eighth street, between Locust and Grand avenue. The way is by the organization of a company and buy this property in stock of \$25.00 per share. We believe that since the present theaters segregate and discriminate against us if we go and even some, I have been informed, do not want our presence there at all, it is about high time for us to join ourselves together and buy one of our own. It is to be hoped that those of us who are really interested in this proposition will fill out the coupon and write the parties, expressing your views on the matter.

WHAT OUR SUBSCRIBERS THINK

Below we are printing a very few clippings and complimentary mention of The Bystander as a true tribune of the colored people in the great northwest. If we could only give you a brief idea of some of the struggles and knocks and hardships to meet and pay our bills you would then know more fully how to appreciate a Negro journal that has lived and never missed an issue for nearly a quarter of a century in the northwest, with so few colored people to support it. Therefore you may know these letters are very encouraging and we do ap-

preciate receiving them along with the delinquent dues.—Editor.

Moline, Ill., Jan. 5, 1917.
Dear Sir: I am enclosing \$3.00 for the paper, thanking you for the extended time; I will try to be more prompt next time if you will let me know when the year is ended. Respectfully,
Mrs. Hattie Shelton.

The Bystander has made a great improvement in the change from a seven to a six column and now furnishes all of her own matter, with no patent in sides. We do compliment their effort.
N. L. Black,
Washington, Iowa.
Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 3, 1916.

Hon. John L. Thompson, Editor Bystander, City.

Dear Sir and Friend: Please accept my hearty congratulations upon the revision of the "Bystander" as explained and demonstrated in your issue of this date, which while it is reduced in size by four columns, contains twelve more columns of original matter, which all who are in any way familiar with the newspaper business will appreciate much more than the "patent inside" which is used by the majority of race papers. The reduction in size is also an improvement, as it makes the paper more convenient to handle and more easily preserved. Very cordially your old subscriber,
S. Joe Brown.
Calhoun, Okla., Dec. 26, 1916.

The Iowa State Bystander.

Mr. John L. Thompson.—Dear Sir: I send to you some money to pay for Iowa State Bystander. Mr. Thompson, as I don't know just how much I need to send, so I will send \$5.00. Mr. J. L. I got hurt in mines since I wrote last and was unable to work for a long time. I would have written sooner, but I did not have the money. I hope you a happy New Year. Yours friend as ever,
H. F. Sawfoot.

This man has been a subscriber for twenty-two years.

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 22, 1916.

Mr. Editor.—Dear Sir: Enclosed find draft for \$1.50 for my past subscription. Please let me know whether I am paying in advance or how and when my year is up. Here's wishing yourself and family "A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year." Sincerely yours,
C. E. Stubblefield.

Sheridan, Wyo., Jan. 15, 1917.

Iowa State Bystander: Gentlemen: I came very near forgetting you, but I can't get along without the Bystander, so here is \$1.00 for this year. Success and health to you and yours. A friend as ever,
A. L. Bell.

Keosauqua, Iowa, Jan. 14, 1917.

To the Bystander Company: I send my best wishes to you. I extend my subscription for the Bystander, as we feel lost without it in our home. Now you will find enclosed \$1.00. Wishing you all a Happy New Year. Yours as ever,
Mr. John Johnson.

Webster City, Iowa, Jan. 10, 1917.

Iowa State Bystander: You will please find enclosed bank draft for \$5.00, per statement of November 15, 1916. We enjoy the Bystander. Yours very truly,
C. H. Conley.

The Habit of Taking Cold.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90 degrees F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Little Richard Warren had his tonsils and adnoids removed at Mercy hospital last week. He is home now, doing fine.

"Jack" Bird is confined to his home this week with la grippe.

Deputy Grand Chancellor of K. P. Rev. W. L. Brasco is in the city this week.

Twin City lodge of K. P. install officers the 16th.

Dorothy Warren, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Warren, has been ill, but is some better at this writing.

The many friends of Mrs. Northcross were glad to see her out again.

The reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lowery on Thursday and Friday evening for their mother, Mrs. M. F. Lowery, was an elaborate affair.

Mrs. Ora Smith is still confined to her bed with la grippe.

Miss Eleanor Eloise Lavell is indisposed this week, suffering with sore throat.

Rev. A. Ford is much better.

Mr. Fred Gresham is in Des Moines visiting his wife, who was appointed assistant postmistress for the Thirty-seventh general assembly.

Mr. Forest Martin and sister, Mrs. Jessie Smith, have returned from Omaha and Red Oak, where they visited relatives.

RACE PROGRESS IN MIDDLE WEST

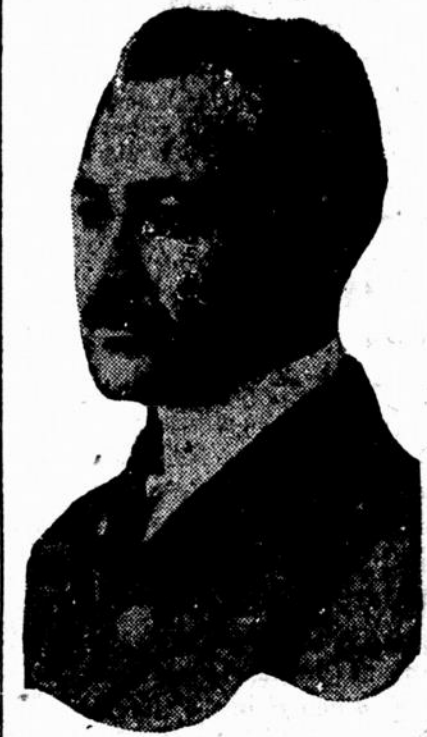
Interstate Literary Observes Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

MUCH GOOD ACCOMPLISHED

Successful Career of Dr. Grant G. Brown as Promoter of Intellectual Advancement Among Our People. Honored by Appointment as Deputy Health Officer For County of Sedgewick.

Wichita, Kan.—The middle west is contributing its share of the men and women of worth who are helping in the many good movements for advancement. Perhaps in no part of the country are they doing more in a literary way than in this section of the country. The Interstate Literary association of Kansas and the west generally, whose twenty-fifth anniversary was celebrated during the recent holidays, stands out prominently as a distinct sign of real progress.

Dr. Grant G. Brown of this town, who retired from the presidency at the session held in Topeka, had the pleasure of presiding over the quarter century session of the association. He is one of the most noted professional men in Kansas and is in the front rank of all efforts for racial development. He was born in Linneus, Mo., where he started his education in the public schools of that place. It was while in public school that his parents moved to Atchison, Kan., where he continued



GRANT G. BROWN, M. D.

his studies and made a fine record in both the grammar and high schools, graduating with honors.

After his graduation from the high school he entered the State university, where as a student he made good by the side of some of the most brilliant students of both races. He made many friends during his college days.

Having decided on his course in life, he entered the medical school at Howard university, Washington, being eager to get the best training possible. He graduated in 1899 in a class of thirty-five. He was among the fortunate in his class, because he was selected as an interne for Freedman's hospital. This is an honor which comes only to a few and is a coveted honor, because it better prepares a man for practical service. In this capacity he served for one year and then returned to his home in Atchison and took the state board examination, which he passed successfully. His worth and ability were soon recognized, and he was selected as the health officer for Atchison county.

It was in 1908 that he decided to locate in what is destined to be the greatest city in Kansas, Wichita. He came with a reputation which he had already made in his profession, and it was not long before he had won the confidence of the people of the entire community. Dr. Brown is now a deputy health officer for Sedgewick county, in which the city of Wichita is located. In his work he is often called into consultation by the leaders of both races, who regard his opinion as being of great value.

He is ever ready to give his time and attention to matters for racial advancement. In society, in public meetings and that which means the training of the mind, helping the young people to think, he is always counted as one of the best workers for their good. He is one of the organizers of the Interstate Literary association, the largest organization of its kind in this part of the United States.

The term of office is only for one year; hence it was only in keeping with the rules of the organization that Dr. Brown was allowed to retire, and even then many expressed a desire to have the rule changed. During the past year and under his administration much good has been accomplished through Dr. Brown's efforts. He was presented a handsome token of esteem by the association at the closing of the twenty-fifth annual session of the association, which meets in Kansas City in December, 1917. Rumor has it in this section of the country that Dr. Brown will soon lead a Washington belle to the marriage altar.

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CLARINDA, IOWA.
Services at the A. M. E. Sabbath morning. Good spiritual services were had.
Mrs. Henry Johnson of Gravity and daughter, Mabel, were over to attend the O. E. S. meeting last Tuesday.
Mrs. Ed Chestwood Pemberton, who has been very ill, is improving.
The women of the Presiding Elder Aid expect to give an entertainment at their hall next Saturday evening. Everyone bring your supper.
Mr. Rob Banks is improving slowly.
Mrs. Laura Jones was called to Bedford last week to be with her sister, Mrs. George Given.
The ladies' bazaar given at the hall was indeed a good success. A neat

sum was realized.
Miss Golda Nowling had the misfortune to be bitten by a bull dog real badly last Thursday on the ankle, but is getting along nicely at this writing.
Miss Grace Davis of Omaha is visiting Mrs. R. T. Lane.
Rev. D. W. Brown expects to spend this Sabbath with the congregation at Bedford.

WATERLOO, IOWA.

The Progressive Art club are preparing a grand entertainment for their husbands January 25th at the home of Mrs. M. Harvey at 623 N. Barclay street.

Mr. James Hoosman and Miss Fannie Jones were united in marriage on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. F. Whitfield, 117 Finn avenue. Rev. H. C. Boyd officiated. Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoosman expect to make Waterloo their future home. Their many friends congratulate them.

The Progressive Art club will meet Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Viola Crawford's, 800 Bluff street.

The B. Y. P. U. is progressing nicely. Officers were elected for the next six months as follows: Mrs. W. Handy, president; Mrs. A. Booth, secretary; Mrs. J. W. Bowles, treasurer. Sunday was quarterly meeting at Bess Chapel A. M. E. church. Rev. Ferribee, the presiding elder, was FOUR—Bystander—present. Services both morning and evening were well attended.

Mr. Wilton Countis and Miss Mary McFaurin were united in marriage on Tuesday evening at the parsonage. A few of their friends were present. Rev. J. W. Bowles officiated.

The Antioch Baptist church is progressing nicely with an addition of ten

new members to begin the new year.

CENTERVILLE NEWS.

Rev. F. Thomas of Mt. Pleasant, who has been assisting Rev. M. Carrington in revival for the last ten days, was called to his home by two deaths. We are all sorry to hear the sad news that called Rev. Thomas from the meeting. We have been having wonderful meetings.

Rev. Thomas has certainly preached some soul-stirring sermons and we have been wonderfully blessed.

Deacon Oliver is confined to his home at this writing.
Mrs. M. J. Thompkins is able to be out again.

Mrs. E. F. Brown of Mystic is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. L. Crittenden.

Mrs. Susie Williams was in Mystic on Monday on business.
Mr. Henry Wright is reported quite ill at his home on W. Washington street at this writing.

The daughter of Mr. Walker is visiting in this city.
Mrs. G. P. Gooding's sister and niece of Kirksville, Mo., are visiting in this city.

We are sorry to learn of the death of our ex-pastor, Rev. J. W. Evans, and we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. John Childs, who has been sick for some weeks, still remains poorly. Rev. Carrington's wife and children are suffering with a severe cold.
Mrs. Wm. Oliver is able to be out again.
Mrs. Davenport remains the same at this writing.
Mrs. L. Lewis and Mrs. S. H. Jones and baby, Aldeen, were calling on Mrs. A. L. Crittenden.

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CITY LOCALS

Atty. James B. Rush is sick this week at his home on Twentieth street.

James Robinson has returned to this city and is employed at the Kirkwood hotel.

Rev. P. S. Ervin, formerly of Clinton, is temporary mail carrier at the State House.

Mrs. Martha Bass, who has been so very sick, is not much better. Her relatives from Fayette, Iowa, have come.

Miss Bertha Irvin Chariton narrowly escaped electrocution today, when a live wire dropped almost under her feet.

The Callanan club will meet Jan. 24, instead of the 27th, as was stated in last week's Bystander, at the home of Mrs. Robert Miles, 923 14th street.

Atty. S. Joe Brown was in Monroe county on legal business.

Mrs. J. S. Coleman, 1300 West Twentieth street, is sick with the la grippe this week.

Miss Marie Bell was hostess Monday evening to the Mary Church Terrill club. Refreshments were served and the club adjourned to meet Monday evening with Letha Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Winrow and Mrs. Hannah Porter left Wednesday for their home in Aetehison, Kans., called there by the sudden death of Mrs. Winrow's sister.

The Marshall Niel Art club met Jan. 17th with Mrs. Harry Hammit. Miss Huall of Britt, Iowa, was a visitor. After being served with a dainty lunch the club adjourned to meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Addison Brooks on Boyd avenue.

Atty. John L. Thompson was in Decatur county last Tuesday on legal business.

The Triple H club met Tuesday, January 16th, at Mrs. Wm. McGruder's, 1628 Carpenter avenue. A very interesting talk was given by Mrs. J. H. McDowell. The next meeting will be held January 22 at the home of Mrs. Laura Avery on Tenth and Park streets.

At a meeting held Wednesday evening at the A. M. E. church the following trustees were elected for the ensuing year: Adam Dixon, S. Joe Brown, John Jackson, J. L. Edwards, John Drew, A. N. Watts, Walter Reeves, O. L. Glass and D. Miller.

At a recent meeting of the Mary Church Terrill club the following officers were elected: President, Audra Alexander; vice president, Johnnie Shaw; secretary, Lulu McCree; assistant secretary, Stella Hyde; treasurer, Anna Perkins; critic, Colleen Jones; parliamentarian, Tabitha Mash; journalist, Marie Bell; reporter, Gertrude Hyde.

John A. Spencer of Grinnell was in our city Wednesday to attend a business meeting of the trustees and members of the Union Congregational church.

Mr. G. H. Bassfield, formerly of this city, but now lives in Indianapolis, Ind., stopped off a few days en route home from a visit with his parents in Colorado Springs, Colo. Glen is doing well and looking well. He called at the Bystander office.

The Christian Home society will have its annual meeting the fourth Sunday in January at 8 o'clock p. m. at the Corinthian Baptist church. Rev. Goins will preach the annual sermon. I request all members to be present. Mary M. Scott, president; Mrs. Catherine M. Gater, corresponding secretary.

St. Mary's Christian Home society, No. 1, met at the residence of Mrs. Taylor, 1056 West Eleventh street. Mrs. Hines, Mrs. M. Scott and Mrs. Taylor, hostesses. The meeting was opened by reading the sixth chapter of St. Matthew to the 15th verse. Prayer by the chaplain, Mrs. Mariah Johnson, after which a covenant meeting was held and all present responded.

On last Sunday afternoon Mrs. Chas. Winn, assisted by four other ladies, gave a wedding shower on the newly married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wagoner, at their apartments at the Thompson hotel. A very fine time was enjoyed by all present.

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Enola V. Thompson has enrolled as a musical student in the Des Moines college last week.

The members and friends of Union Congregational church will give a booster's dinner at 6 o'clock Monday evening, January 29th, at the church, Tenth and Park streets, also a literary program at 8 o'clock, complimentary to the retiring pastor.

The annual election of Union Congregational Sunday school resulted as follows: Superintendent, M. L. Gregory; assistant superintendent, Mrs. Geo. C. Young; secretary, Homer Reese; assistant secretary, Lillian Jacobs; treasurer, Miss Daisy Jacobs; organist, Miss Leota James; assistant organist, Enola V. Thompson; chorister, Mrs. J. T. Blagburn; assistant chorister, L. J. Shelton.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Shelton entertained about twenty friends at cards and dancing at their home, 1078 Fourteenth street. Mrs. James H. Woods and Mrs. Harry Seymour received first and second prizes for ladies and Mr. Morris and Mr. John McClain first and second for gentlemen. A two-course luncheon was served, after which dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Monday evening, January 15th, at the home of Bro. John L. Thompson occurred the annual election of officers of Deborah Administrative Council, as follows: President, Sister Maude Thompson; vice, Sister Izelia Robinson; secretary, Sister Jessye E. McClain; treasurer, Bro. J. H. Shepard; counselor, Bro. S. Joe Brown; vice counselor, Bro. J. L. Thompson; executive committee, Sisters C. A. Clegg, Edyth Essex and Bro. J. A. Wilson. The council will meet in regular session the third Monday in April with Bro. and Sister S. Joe Brown.

The I. L. club met with Mrs. Fannie Wilson on Friday, January 13, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Maude Thompson; vice president, Mrs. Jessye E. McClain; secretary, Mrs. Mollie Watkins; assistant secretary, Mrs. Nellye Gregory; treasurer, Mrs. Anna Cousins; critic, Mrs. Robert Patton; assistant, Mrs. J. L. Edwards; journalist, Mrs. Bess Hughes; chairman executive committee, Mrs. Maude Wilkinson; associate members of committee, Messdames Frank P. Johnson, Fannie Wilson, Geo. Young and Margaret Lowery. Friday evening, January 20, at the home of Mrs. S. Joe Brown will occur the installation of these officers, with the husbands of the members and all of the federated club presidents of the city, with their husbands as honored guests.

THOMPSON HOTEL GUESTS.
Clarence E. Jones, Huntsville, Mo.; The Four Dinning Car Girls, Empress Theater; Andrew A. Copeman, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brook, city.

HOME BOARD MEET.
The board of directors of the Home for Women and Girls will meet in Des Moines at 2 p. m. Friday, January 26, at the residence of Mrs. J. B. Rush, 1547 Twentieth street. Persons desiring to make financial donations to the board will please mail same to Mrs. Effie Watkins, treasurer, 2113 Mondamin avenue, Des Moines.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.
A large number of young men gathered at the home of Mr. Brantam Hyde on Sunday, January 7th, to help him celebrate his birthday. Music was furnished by a "victrola" and Mr. James Windsor at the piano. Quite a few informal speeches were made. He received a number of presents, among which was a "smoking set" and a gold Masonic pin. The afternoon concluded with the serving of a luncheon, a feature of which was the lighting of the candles of the birthday cake by the hostess.

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Topeka, Kan.—The Industrial and Educational Institute in this city is one of the foremost institutions in the west for the moral, intellectual and industrial advancement of colored youth. While it is a state school, it had its inception in the thrift and industry of its president, Dr. William R. Carter. He has worked his way to the front upon his merits and is considered one of the best qualified educators among our people. He knows by actual experience the needs of the youth of the



DR. WILLIAM R. CARTER.

race, especially those who are struggling against great odds to get an education.

Dr. Carter is a native of Brunswick, Ga. He is forty-three years of age and has had an interesting career in many good movements. Being a native of the south, he knows and has felt the sting of race prejudice. He received his early training in the public schools of his native town. From the public schools of Brunswick he entered the Tuskegee institute in 1890. He received much encouragement and was also inspired by Dr. Washington to go forward and make the most of his opportunities to fit himself for his life's work.

After three years of hard work at Tuskegee institute young Carter received his diploma from the hands of Dr. Washington with this solemn declaration: "I shall ever honor this piece of paper." He returned to Brunswick, and, recognizing that he owed something to his home town, the place that had made it possible for him to get his education, he accepted a position in the public school as one of the teachers. He at once gained the love of pupils and their parents.

He gave three of his best years' work to Brunswick and resigned to accept a position in Orange Bend, Fla., where he had charge of all the public school work in the county. He conducted all the normals and had under him many teachers. His worth as an educator was recognized by the state, and often he was called into conference with the state superintendent of education.

He gave up teaching for a short time and entered Gammon Theological seminary, where he prepared for the ministry. It was at Gammon that his ability as a public speaker and minister manifested itself, and he was classed among the able ministers of the Baptist denomination. He, however, again resumed school work. He taught for a year at the East Tennessee Normal and Industrial Institute, Harriman, Tenn. He began teaching in Kansas at the instance of Dr. Booker T. Washington. The school to which he went was a mere kindergarten, carried on by a couple from Boston. The need of a larger work was soon felt, and this little school was reorganized into an industrial institute and is now an ideal center of education.

At the first session of the state legislature after Dr. Carter took charge of the school \$1,500 was appropriated for its support. This amount has been gradually increased to \$21,000 per annum. The indebtedness of \$3,000 has been paid, and the plant is now worth \$175,000. The school has a faculty of ten teachers, and students from ten states are in attendance.

Although Dr. Carter is a very busy man, he is intensely interested in all movements for the advancement of his people. He stands high in Masonic, Pythian and Odd Fellow circles. For the past twelve years he has been the only colored member of the board of directors of the Kansas Children's Home society and for several years secretary and treasurer of the Ministerial Union, Topeka, composed of all the white and colored ministers of the city. He has several times been honored by the governor with positions of trust.

STYLUS CLUB'S RECEPTION.

College Organization Entertains Prominent Leaders at Washington.

The Stylus, a student organization, founded by Professors Montgomery Gregory and A. Leroy Locke in 1910, recently tendered a reception to John E. Bruce "Grit," president, and Senor Arturo Alfonso Schomburg, secretary of the Negro Society For Historical Research of New York, both of whom are honorary members of the Stylus, in Miner hall of Howard university.

The reception was attended by noted educators and professional men and women. The purpose of the Stylus is to encourage original literary expression among the students of the college of liberal arts of Howard university, with an especial view to the stimulation and development of productive authorship in the race and for the furtherance of this purpose the bringing together of persons able and willing to co-operate for this end. The guests of honor and the following named gentlemen were present:

Dean Kelly Miller of Howard university, Dean William Pickens of Morgan college, Baltimore; Professor W. A. Joiner of Wilberforce university, Dr. Edward L. Parkes, treasurer of Howard university; Professor Herman Moens of the Netherlands, Professor John W. Cromwell, secretary of the American Negro academy; John R. Clifford, editor of the Pioneer Press, Martinsburg, W. Va.; J. R. Murray of Alexandria, Va.; Robert A. Felham of the United States census bureau, Rev. Dr. Bragg of Baltimore, R. W. Logan of Williams college, E. L. Davidson of Harvard university, Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Tunnell of Howard university, Dr. E. Albert Cooke, Mrs. Emma Brown and F. Holland.

When the last of the invited guests had arrived and the introductions were over the company formed in line and led by Professor Montgomery Gregory, marched from the spacious reception room to the chapel of Miner hall, where all were seated, when Professor Gregory stated that the reception was given by the Stylus in honor of visiting members of the American Negro academy and to honor two of its honorary members, Messrs. John E. Bruce "Grit" and Senor A. A. Schomburg, also members of the American Negro academy, to whom the Stylus feels greatly indebted for many courtesies.

Its members are proud to have on its honorary roll of membership such useful and valuable men as Messrs. Bruce and Schomburg. Professor Gregory then called on Mr. Schomburg to make a few informal remarks, which he did. Mr. Bruce followed. Both expressed themselves as being keenly appreciative of the honor paid them by the Stylus and of the work to which the club is devoting itself and pledged themselves to co-operate with it in any way they could. Rapid fire addresses were given by Professor William Pickens, Rev. Mr. Bragg, J. R. Clifford, F. H. M. Murray, Professor J. W. Cromwell, Professor Herman Moens, Professor W. A. Joiner, Professor G. W. Cook, Dean Kelly Miller and members of the Stylus club.

DR. E. P. ROBERTS' NEW POST.

Appointed to New York Education Board by Mayor Mitchell.

The National Urban league has succeeded in getting Dr. E. P. Roberts appointed by Mayor Mitchell as a member of the board of education of the city of New York. This is the first time in the history of the Greater City that a colored man has received this distinction, although three in the past have been thus honored by the city of Brooklyn prior to 1808.

The league has appointed Miss Patricia Ferguson of Chicago, a graduate of the University of Michigan, to one of the league's "broken fellowships," which will give Miss Ferguson an opportunity to do practical work with the league in preparation for social work as a life's career. Miss Ferguson comes well recommended as to scholarship and general standing at the university. She was a member of the women's varsity basketball, track and baseball teams. She studied music for four years at the Ann Arbor Conservatory of Music.

The league will hold a national conference on negro migration Friday, Jan. 26, at the Russell Sage foundation building, East Twenty-second street and Lexington avenue. Representatives of national and local welfare organizations and large employers of negro labor in the north are expected to be present. The purpose is to settle definitely on a national policy and on methods to be used in aiding Negroes to adjust themselves to city life in their new environment. Persons interested should correspond with E. K. Jones, executive secretary, 2303 Seventh avenue, New York city.

The efforts of the league in co-operation with the Burke foundation and the committee on prevention of heart disease to provide clinical facilities for Negroes afflicted with heart disease have been rewarded by the announcement that the Bellevue board of trustees has decided to open within a month a cardiac class at the Harlem hospital.

The league has employed a boys' club worker who will give his whole time to conducting boys' clubs in Harlem welfare centers. Clubs are to be located at the Music School settlement and probably at the Alpha Physical club and one or two of the churches. The boys will be trained in athletics, club management, including principles of self government and rules of order, and will in the summer be taken to the league's boys' camp.

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Those who breakfast at 8 o'clock or later, lunch at 12 and have dinner at 6 are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five

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MAN OF BROAD EXPERIENCE

Congregation of the Calvary Baptist Church Begins Financial Campaign For the Erection of a New Meeting House—Dr. Butler's Fine Record as an Organizer and Leader.

Wichita, Kan.—Sardis, Miss., has the distinction of furnishing to the Baptists of Kansas one of the strongest and most successful pastors in the person of the Rev. S. B. Butler, B. T. S., who is pastor of the Calvary Baptist church in this city. He is doing a great work in the state and is an active worker in the national Baptist convention. The Rev. Mr. Butler was born at Sardis in 1876 and received his early education in the public school of his home town. After finishing the public school course he entered LeMoyne institute, at Memphis, one of the schools of the American Missionary association. He joined the Baptist church at fourteen years of age. After two years' study at LeMoyne institute he went to St. Louis and at once connected himself with the Central Baptist church, of which the Rev. J. L. Cochran was pastor. His activity in the church attracted much attention. He was licensed to preach by the Central Baptist church in 1901. This was followed by his entering the Western college, Macon,



REV. S. B. BUTLER, B. T. S.

Mo., the institution of the colored Baptists of the state. He finished the course at Western college in 1905. He won honors while in school and was chosen orator for the theological class. He was called to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Kirksville, Mo., during his school days and also at Jacksonville, Mo.

The churches were not far from Macon; hence he was able to spend the week in school and go to his churches on Sunday, returning to school on Monday of each week. Following his graduation he was ordained an elder in St. Louis in 1905. He was examined by the entire ministry of the Baptist church in St. Louis, and they were loud in their praise of his ability as a young minister.

The Rev. Mr. Butler was called to the Park Chapel Baptist church, Palmyra, Mo., in 1906, where he accomplished a good work. He was instrumental in building a stone church there and paying off the indebtedness. After remaining at the Park Chapel church six years he received a call from the Calvary Baptist church at Wichita, which he found to be heavily in debt. The people were fearful that the building and ground would be sold because of the debt, but the Rev. Mr. Butler smiled and declared that the debt was but a toy. He soon cut it down, and now they are preparing to erect a new building to cost \$20,000.

The congregation is wide awake and eager for a new church edifice. This was demonstrated recently at a meeting held for the purpose of raising \$300 toward the building fund. Instead of raising \$300 the members and friends contributed \$500. The church will hold a financial rally during the month of January, at which a large amount is expected to be contributed for the erection of the proposed new meeting house. Dr. Butler is highly respected by both races in Wichita and is recognized as a safe leader, able preacher and financier.

Fisk Honors Memory of Noted Singers. Fisk university has decided to add to its numerous departments a conservatory of music in honor of the Fisk Jubilee Singers, who did so much to create favorable sentiment for the race more than forty years ago. Contributions will be accepted for this new feature from both races. It is a move in the right direction and it meets with popular favor.

HEALTH HINTS.
A. J. Booker, M. D.
Every time a man gets a dollar more than he actually needs it is a NEW YEAR for him. The first of January has no more to do with the time you begin your year than do the ducks who go south for the winter. It takes character to save money and at the same time not be so selfish that you punish yourself and everyone who happens to be under your care.



It takes some men a long time to develop character, for character is a development, not a gift. Every man ought to have a dollar in some safe place, safe from his impulses and safe and certain when an emergency arises. Dollars are queer things. They can be made slaves to bring the most they are capable of carrying. On the other hand they are capable of exerting the most tyrannical mastery over men. There are men who would not drink nor swear, who hood their faces when grace is being said and are capable of being perfectly genteel (as long as you watch them) until they hear the musical sound of a dollar. No sirene ever sent as many men to destruction as the tinkle of gold, for some men would risk one hand between the closing doors of hell to get just another one. Of these we speak to call attention to what can happen. But for the most part it is well to have a few. They are as prolific as mice. Once get them in a good place, they will breed. It takes a long time for their young to mature, but they do. And by some magic they let their fellows know the people who are good to them, so that they will come to him. When a man does not treat dollars right they seem to enter into a conspiracy to get away from him and to scurry to some place where they rest and breed. Dollars stay with some men as long as water stays on a duck's back; they learn to hate these people and like to mock them in their old age and misery by not coming around. To those who care for them they are grateful and when old age and friends depart they will try to bring warmth and comfort to you.

Strange as it may appear, they talk to men and men will not desert so long as they are around. If it be thought that a man has no dollar friends, his men friends get deaf and cripple and have a gripping of the fingers; but let it be known that he suddenly discovered many simoleons, behold the ears of the deaf are unstopped, feet become tripping and fingers are nimble to attend his desires.

The man who has everything he wants now will usually want what he can't have away up the street of life. It is a good plan not to get broke at the first booth; they look prettier just in proportion as you are without means. Spend a little and save a little. Everyone can save something, and it does not take much to start a nest. A nest does not amount to much anyway; it is what you put into it. A dollar a week is just fifty-two dollars more at the end of the year than if you spent them all. There is a banker in your town who will let you in on some 6 per cent stuff if you talk to him. Bankers are the best people in the world to encourage people to save money; they like it so well it is hard for them to see how anyone can be otherwise. Keep your credit good, for that is great capital, and save some. You can't beat the game by saving and not paying, for they get your number and then you are a dead beat, but everybody knows them; they may puff up and strut by, but everybody just laughs. Spend some and save some; they breed and remember you when you are old.

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YANKTON, S. D.
(Special to the Bystander.)
Mr. A. S. Lewis has been on the sick list, but is now able to be up again. The Young Colored Men's club gave a supper last Saturday evening, which was very successful. Mrs. E. J. Hill is very sick at her home at 1111 Broadway and relatives have been summoned. Mr. A. Allen is recovering from a slight touch of the la grippé. Miss Virginia Allen has been sick for the last week with a very bad cold. The Baptist church of Yankton conducted by Rev. Herford is encouraged by three young converts.

WATERLOO, IOWA.
Sunday at 6:30 p. m. A. C. E. L. meeting will be interesting and inspiring. It is hoped a large attendance will make this a successful meeting and that all be present promptly at the hour stated.

It will materially assist the pastor if any knowledge of sickness, distress or other matters of interest and importance regarding the members and friends of the church, be immediately communicated to him. A hearty cooperation in this matter will help to eliminate unfortunate circumstances that sometimes arise.

On Tuesday as a preliminary to the simultaneous evangelistic campaign to be held in March, there will be cottage prayer meetings all about the city. Bess Chapel meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bright.

Rev. J. W. Bowles rendered two excellent sermons at Antioch Baptist church Sunday. Both were well attended.

Remember B. Y. P. U. 6:00 p. m. every Sunday at Antioch Baptist church. Come one and all.

It is hoped that the resumption of services in our own church will mean the re-awakening of our enthusiasm, the quickening of our sense of responsibility and the vital stirring of our spiritual powers and interests.

Every Sunday at Bess Chapel A. M. E. church at 10 a. m. Bible school and 11 a. m. morning worship. Please take notice this Sunday is quarterly meeting; P. E. Rev. Farabee will be with us. Communion in the morning.

SCANDIA, IOWA.
Rev. S. D. Warden delivered two excellent sermons Sunday.

On Saturday Jan. 6th occurred the death of Mrs. Fannie Clayborn. She was a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist church. She is survived by her husband, five sons and six daughters. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Interment at Woodward cemetery.

Mrs. Harry Cullons is still confined to her bed.

Lucy Nichols is convalescent at this writing.

Mr. Wm Moore is reported ill at his home.

Mrs. Jane Nichols left Saturday for Kansas City, where she was called by the illness of her mother.

Mrs. S. D. Warden and daughter, Lillie of Des Moines are visiting friends.

Mrs. Willie Mae Thomas, Mrs. G. Thomas and little son Vernie of Girod, Kansas, are in our little camp and the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Baker of Davenport are visiting Mrs. Baker's sister, Mrs. James Hamilton.

Beatrice Madden returned Monday from Adelphia, Iowa, where she has been visiting friends.

The B. L. S. club will meet Saturday Jan. 13th at the home of Mrs. Clara Weaver. All members requested to be present. Bertrand Stewart, Pres., Beatrice Madden, Lec.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Robinson entertained the ladies of the S. L. I. club Saturday, Dec. 30. A two course luncheon was served. All present report a pleasant evening.

Mrs. Pearl Carter and little son of St. James, Canada, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mattie Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bates of Buxton came Sunday. She was called here by the death of her mother, Mrs. Fannie Clayborn.

Upon the receipt of news of his mother's death Mr. Eddie Clayborn and wife of Des Moines arrived Saturday night.

The literary is progressing nicely under the presidency of Mr. Henry Madden.

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BUXTON, IOWA.
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Miss Jennie Spears entertained Monday evening Jan. 1st in honor of her sister Ora, who just returned home from Minneapolis, Minn. A six course luncheon was served. The out of town guests were Miss Eva Vinsrd, Kansas City, Mo., Mr. Harry Lavelle, Cedar Rapids, Ia. The evening was spent in games and conversation.

GALESBURG, ILL.
We have a great many sick at this writing. Mr. B. Alcorn is reported resting easier at this time. Chas. Brown of W. Bernin street has been off from work for a few days with la grippé. Mrs. L. Gash, who has been an invalid for several years, is not much improved. The Thimble Circle was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. H. Logan on Friday, the 18th. It is the club's reunion, with dinner at 6 o'clock. Mr. Robt. Holt made our city a short visit. The A. M. E. Chapel had a beauti-

ful service last Sabbath. Three additions and two baptized in the evening and two read into full membership.

Mrs. M. Crew, who has been sick, is much improved.

The Garrison club is doing great things. They paid \$20 for the trustees on the gas range in the parsonage. They will meet Friday at the home of Mrs. J. O. Washington.

Mrs. H. Davis of N. West street is very sick.

The A. M. E. morning choir are putting their hearts into the work. They are improving.

M. R. Drury was called to Detroit by the death of a sister. He returned Thursday and reports that city in a flourishing condition, with plenty of work and good wages.

P. H. L. club met with Dorothea Hawkins on Thursday evening, January 17th. All report her a great entertainer.

About twenty friends of Beatrice Anderson gave her a surprise party on Tuesday, Sunday, the 7th, being her 16th birthday. She received a great many beautiful presents.

Mr. F. Shoot is reported on the sick list.

Mrs. J. Wenstrom of South Omaha, Neb., is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. Gash.

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ALBIA NEWS.
Mrs. Willis Lewis of Des Moines is visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Roper, and little son, William, in Albia for a few weeks.

Miss Alberta Robinson and Mr. Charlie Robinson of Hocking attended A. M. E. Sunday school and Young People's club on Sunday.

Mr. E. A. Mason of Davenport, the agent for Negro literature and magazines and toilet articles, was in Albia on Friday.

Lawyer S. Joe Brown of Des Moines was in our city Thursday on business and called at the home of Mr. Oscar Roper and Henry Jones home.

On Friday, January 12th, Mrs. Ross Johnson entertained at dinner Mrs. Wm. Gordon, Mrs. Creolo Hollingworth and Mrs. Allie Bowman of Muscatine.

Mrs. George Hull of Centerville was the guest of Mrs. Tommy Williams and the Corinthian lodge of Albia on Thursday.

The official men of the K. of P. lodge held a business meeting with the Albia K. of P. lodge on Monday evening.

The Sewing Circle club met at the residence of Mrs. Brittain Thomas on Monday afternoon. After opening, the 16th chapter of St. Matthew was read by Mrs. Oscar Roper. Each member of the club followed by reading five verses each. Mrs. H. Bowman of Muscatine was present and spoke to club. Paper, Frederick Douglas, by Mrs. Delia Thomas, and a few encouraging remarks by Mrs. Henry Jones.

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ROCK ISLAND, ILL.
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The many Rock Island friends of Mrs. Fred Gresham of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, but formerly of this city, were pleased to learn of her appointment to the Thirty-seventh general assembly as postmistress. She was reared in this vicinity. Mrs. Mary White has returned from a three weeks' visit to her old home in Louisville, Ky. A reception will be tendered Rev. Sanders and his wife at the Second Baptist church Wednesday evening, celebrating his second year as pastor of the church. The installation of the newly elected church, Sunday school and officers of all auxiliaries will also be made. Mrs. Lizzie Golden entertained the Progressive Art club last Wednesday afternoon. The club arranged to render a Douglass program February 13,

1917. The proceeds of the entertainment are to go toward saving the late Douglass home. The hostess served a six-course lunch.

Mrs. Ralph Motts of Chicago, en route home from Washington, Iowa, a guest at the parental Motts home, stopped over for a few days' visit with Miss Helen Motts.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. H. Moore, Hazel Moore and Mr. F. Jackson.

Mrs. Will Taylor and Miss Helen Motts entertained the following friends in honor of Mrs. R. Motts of Chicago on Sunday afternoon: Mr. and Mrs. C. Golden, H. Houston and wife, Dr. Stith and wife, Mr. E. Bradley and Mrs. Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stewart of Moline. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Josie Miller and Albert Harper will graduate from the eighth grade next week. Both of the pupils will enter high school.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.
The musical given by the Progressive club Thursday evening, January 11th, was a success, \$26.36 being cleared.

Lodge No. 4655, G. U. O. of O. F., will give a supper and musical Thursday evening, January 25th. Admission, 25 cents.

Mr. Herman Grun is confined to his bed with the grip.

Mr. Wesley Norris, brother of Prof. J. W. Norris, has arrived in the city and will make this his home.

Mrs. Anna Roberts has returned from a four weeks' visit in Chicago.

Master Lester Wilkinson celebrated his 4th birthday Saturday afternoon, January 13th. Nine of his little friends were present. They enjoyed themselves to the highest.

Mr. Jess Dale will entertain the Progressive club Thursday evening, January 18th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Anthony.

Mrs. J. D. Anthony, Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson, Mrs. H. Barnes, Mrs. Ed Askew and Mrs. R. Cowan have organized a whist club. They will meet every Friday afternoon.

Miss Arabelle Dowdy and Mr. George Yearwood of St. Paul entertained at dinner Monday evening, January 15th, Miss Gladys Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. M. Askew.

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