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IOWA'S LEADING COLORED PAPER.

CITY NEWS

Subscribe for the BYSTANDER.

Mrs. John Walker is improving, also Mrs. S. Davis.

The Chautauqua sessions opened last Thursday with a large attendance.

Little Pearl Hammett, of Marquetteville spent the Fourth with Ada Hyde.

Don't forget to attend our Midland Chautauqua in session at the Chautauqua Park.

Mr. Dan Roy, who has been working at Van Meter on a farm spent the Fourth at home with his family.

The H. R. S. Reading Circle, will meet next Thursday afternoon with Mrs. J. T. Blagburn 376 School St.

Mr. F. H. Brown, one of Colfax men is working in our city on the Younker block he is our agent at Colfax, he made our office a pleasant call this week.

Mrs. C. S. Ruff was called to her former home in Ottumwa last Wednesday by a telegram stating that a member of the family was sick.

Mr. J. Frank Blagburn, will leave on Monday for Davenport to attend the annual session of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. for the state.

Mrs. Susan White served dinner to quite a number of her friends on the Fourth at her pleasant home on East Walker street.

Mrs. N. Kimbrough, of Oskaloosa is visiting with her sister Mrs. John Fields on 8th and Grand Avenue this week.

Those that spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Bass of Clive, were their son Chester, Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson, Mrs. A. Jones of Des Moines and Roy Watkins of Grimes Iowa.

Mrs. Wm. Redman and little daughter, have returned from a visit of several weeks in St. Paul and Minneapolis, she was having a very pleasant time until her husband became sick and caused her to shorten her visit.

Miss Koger of Jefferson Ia. who has been visiting in Wilberforce, Ohio for several weeks arrived in our city enroute to her home this week, she will visit here awhile as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Winsor 1177 W. 7th.

M. Wm. Nash and A. Pierson in company with M. Taylor, K. Hamilton, Mr. Armstrong, and Langford, went down to Patterson on the Fourth and gave an entertainment, they report a good time.

When in Muchakinoek, Iowa stop at MRS. ADDIE JOHN-SON'S RESTAURANT for good meals or short orders; also Ice Cream, Prompt attention given to all orders.

Mrs. J. T. Blagburn and H. H. Lewis, went up to Webster city last Saturday to spend the fourth with their sister Mrs. C. A. Greenway. Mrs. Lewis returned this week. Mrs. Blagburn will remain awhile.

A very nice birthday party was given on Mr. S. D. Miller head waiter at the Severy Hotel last Thursday evening. It being his 35th birthday, quite a nice crowd was present considering the threatening weather. Singing, music and conversation furnished the amusement. Refreshments were served. A beautiful rosette chair was presented to Mr. Miller as a remembrance.

Keep Quiet. Mrs. Chas. W. Dole, of Oskaloosa, has been visiting in Des Moines for the past few days. She is a very interesting and accomplished woman. It is always a pleasure to meet her.

For Sale

Three running horses, bay stallion, six years old by Imp. Arabian, name May Cain by Imp. Tubal Cain. Bay filly, three years old, by the above described stallion. For further information address, J. HAMM, Lineville, Ia.

A part of the Bystander Staff consisting of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepard, J. L. Thompson and Miss Zoe Richardson visited the country home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson at Clive. In the afternoon the party was joined by Messrs Wm. Walker, Gus Watkins and A. Tolliver of Des Moines all had a very enjoyable visit.

Mr. Penelton Murry and little son McKinley of Lincoln Nebr. arrived in the city this week to spend a few days visiting with his sister-in-law Mrs. Wm. Fletcher on Crocker street. Mr. Murry made a brief call at the Bystander office, he is quite intelligent and likes Nebraska's Capital City well, he ran within one vote of being nominated for Councilman in Lincoln.

A reception was given Mrs. J. E. Bell of Champaign, Ill. who is Supreme Deputy of Iowa by the sisters of the Victoria Lodge of Des Moines recently set up, quite a number was present and all enjoyed the hospitality of the new lodge. Refreshments, conversation and music entertained the crowd. The lodge is progressing nicely.

The programme for the P. L. D. Literary Society July 10th is as follows: Opening Address, Mr. Gould; Reading, Mrs. Ella Wilburn; Experience as a United States Cavalryman, Clifford Williams; Recitation, Claude Bynum; How to succeed commercially, Rollen Weeks; Instrumental music, Miss Maple Morton; Journal, J. T. Blagburn; Quotation from Phillis Wheatly; Critic meet 1072 8th street.

A LITTLE WORD OF KINDNESS.

Say a little word of kindness, Fill each heart with gentle love, Strive to do what's right and justice Our reward is heaven above. Must be careful to thy neighbor, Must be loving true and kind, Must be willing to aid Strangers Have also a thoughtful mind. BERTHA ALLEN.

SPECIAL EXCURSION RATES TO PORTLAND, ORE., AND OTHER NORTH PACIFIC COAST POINTS.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates from all stations, until July 8, inclusive, limited to September 4, 1899, inclusive. Variable routes, delightful scenery. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Railway.

I want colored agents in every town in Iowa to introduce a high class magazine, the greatest educator in the world. Agents makes from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per day in their own towns; liberal.

NEW POETESS.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Green of Rock Island we received a beautiful book of poems, entitled Original Poems, by Mrs. Olivia Bush of Providence, R. I. The little booklet is dedicated to the Afro-Americans. It contains some very beautiful poems, among the best is one entitled "Hon. Frederick Douglass," "At Harvest Time," "A Hero of San Juan," "Honor's Appeal to Justice" and "The Walk to Emmaus." Mrs. Bush will attend the Woman's Congress in Chicago this summer and will read several of her poems. We will publish a few if permitted to later.

A WONDERFUL COLORED GIRL PREACHER.

Through the kindness of Mr. Geo. Hanger (white) who is visiting in our city gave me a circular and brief history of little Cleretta Nora Avery of Charleston, S. C., the wonderful girl preacher who is attracting the public by her phenomenal preaching. It is remarkable, her preaching is winning many souls. In New York hundreds were converted. She is only 10 years old and weighs 60 pounds. She commenced preaching when but 7 years old. She is now preaching and lecturing in the interest of the Charleston Industrial Institute and Home for colored girls where she is being educated. The Institute is now asking for \$5,000 to erect another building for girls. Below we print a clipping from the New York Sun:

"A South Carolina Pious Girl."—She may be called that, for she is in the 10th year of her age and, black as she is, she is described as a prodigy, and her sermons are said to be wonderful. Both whites and blacks crowd to hear her."—New York Sun.

COLORED SOLDIERS AGAIN CALLED FOR

Again the war department has called on the colored regulars to go to Manila to fight the Filipinos and relieve the white soldiers who are there now fighting for—God only knows what—and now the department are asking for volunteers to the amount of 35,000, and the department will expect that the colored citizens will fill their proportion. In case some who may renew their confidence in him—will he be allowed colored officers this time? We will not advise the colored men to go, but if they insist on going we would urge on them to compel the war department to allow them the same privilege as any other volunteer company. First, allow them to have colored officers, from color bearer to colonel. Second, to give them the same pay and treatment accorded other regiments. Third, give them the same right to promotion on field of battle as other companies. In short treat him as a man, a citizen, a soldier and an officer of our government. Whenever our government gets into trouble where it requires her best true loyal sons to save her she always calls for the strong arm of the colored man to help her, and they have never refused or betrayed that high trust of loyalty, even though after wards the government may abuse, mistreat, snub, kill, murder, burn and lynch those same able sons that defend her. Now "Uncle Sam" as you recognize us as American citizens by asking our co operation in the persecution of the war. We have a right to ask and reasonable expect to enjoy the simple privilege of living in our own land unmolested and enjoy its protection as an American citizen.

STOP GOING TO CIRCUS.

This week the annual circus show made its appearance in our city and we are sorry to see so many of our people attending those circuses each year or twice a year if they come; you will see a larger per cent of our people there than the Anglo-Saxon race—why is this? It is like the dancing room; the same old sights and things are seen each time. We as a race should quit these things and seek higher ideas and conceptions. Many many poor man and woman has worked hard to save up 50 cents to give to the show or dance when they should have taken that 50 cents to buy clothing, food or invested it in some property or deposited it in the bank, or still better to give it to help build up your churches then the circuses.

GLORIOUS FOURTH.

On the 4th day of July each year is made memorable from the fact that John Adams set aside the 4th of July as a day of celebration, because of the birth of America, therefore it is styled our "Natal Day." It is more generally observed in America than any other day in the calendar year, except that of Christmas. It is a day that patriotism and enthusiasm reaches the Ne Plus Ultra point in this country. It brings fresh before us the early history and hard struggles this republic had to gain a foothold and permanency among the political powers of the world. We in this modern age of rapid advancement should feel proud of our New England progenitors and colonial fathers. The signing of the Declaration of Independence and rearing of a mighty Republic which is only one and a quarter century of existence, and today its rapid advancement has astonished the mighty Kingdoms of the civilized world and today at the closing of the 19th century we lead nearly all nations of the world in all that is high, noble and elevating. True there yet remains a few evils and gross wrongs to be righted, but if we continue to teach the young children liberty, equality and loyalty success will come to America.

AGENTS WANTED—FOR THE LIFE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, the world's greatest man. By Mr. Wm. H. Dole, of Oskaloosa, Iowa, who has been visiting in Des Moines for the past few days. He is a very interesting and accomplished man. It is always a pleasure to meet him.

HOW THE FOURTH WAS CELEBRATED IN DES MOINES

In the morning the threatening weather prevented the people from making haste to perform their contemplated plans until a later hour than usual, but as soon as the weather showed signs of clearing up the people began to go some to the different parks where good programs had been prepared. Some to invited homes out of the city and in the country, others on fishing and hunting expeditions, and by far the largest crowd went to the Y. M. C. A. park where the main programme of the day was held. The programme was interesting and quite entertaining. In the bicycle races there were about 15 entered, among them were three colored boys, John Morton, our Des Moines crack, who is perhaps the best colored rider in Iowa, with Leo Welker of Colfax who is a close second and Frank Bryant and J. Morton won second in the mile dash, second in the one-third and second in the one-fourth race, while Welker won first place in the half mile, third in the mile, third the one-third mile and second in the two mile race. In the Alabama sack race Stanton won first, Jackson second, Wells third, Dare Devil Ryan and legless Root, the famous trick bicyclists were the main attractions. Herbert LaShe, the slack wire walker missed the train and could not be there. The fireworks were good, great credit is due the untiring labor of W. P. Chase for its success.

THE EXPOSITION.

The Omaha Colonial Exposition opened its gates last Saturday to remain so until the first day of November. It will be quite different from the exposition held there last year, of course it will be held at the same place and same buildings used, but different exhibits will be there. One of the special features will be the exhibits from our newly acquired territory, also the Philippine Islands. Then there will be special days and features which taken all in all it bids fair to be interesting as well as instructive to the visitors.

The Waco Weekly Enterprise is the latest thing in the way of a new Journal devoted exclusively to the colored race, has come to our sanctum this week. It is a nice four page seven column paper, edited by M. A. Majors. We welcome the Enterprise and predict for its success.

Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. W. M. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R. I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction." For sale by all Druggists.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Special to the Bystander.

Our friends may die and leave our hearts and homes desolate for a time. We can not prevent it, nor would it be best if we could.

Sorrow has its useful lessons when it is legitimate, and death is the gate that opens out of earth toward the house "Eternal in the Heaven."

If we lose them Heaven gains them, If we mourn they rejoice, if we tune our harps on the billows they tune theirs in the "Eternal Orchestra above." Rejoicing that we shall soon be with them.

Whereas: It has pleased God in his almighty providence, to call from labor to reward our late beloved sister, Nancy Johnson.

Whereas: The intimate relations and high esteem long held by our deceased sister.

With the members of this club render it our duty that we should place on record our appreciation of her services as an I. B. W. E. C. and her merits as a lady, therefore be it

Resolved: And placed on the registry of the I. B. W. E. C. that while we bow with humble submission to the will of the most High, we do not cease to mourn for her precious soul, who has

been removed from our midst and

Resolve: That in the death of sister Johnson this club has lost a sister who was always active and zealous in her work as an I. B. W. E. C.—ever ready to do her duty, prompt to advance the interest of the club—devoted to the welfare and prosperity, one who was wise in council and fearless in action, and honest and an upright lady, whose virtues endeared her not only to the sisters of the club but all to whom she met and

Resolve: That this club tender its heartfelt sympathy to the family and relatives of our deceased sister in this their sad afflictions and

Resolve: That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this club and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of our deceased sister.

There is no way to make sorrow light, but in noble bearing.

Be content, blows given from heaven are our due punishment. All shipwrecks are not drowning—you see buildings made more from their ruins.

President, Mrs. Q. Taylor, Committee, Mesdames, Kennedy, Alexander, Hamilton, Hicks and Davis.

SIOUX CITY ITEMS

Rev. S. B. Johnson, of Des Moines, is in our city in the interest of the Knights of Labor, and preached an able sermon, Sunday morning. Text: "Christ is all, and in all."

The protom body of Odd Fellows was running meeting last Friday evening, presided over by Rev. A. L. Warlick.

Mr. H. S. Whidden, arrived here Saturday afternoon from Yankton, S. D., and will make this his future home.

The cake walk and dance given by the Pleasant Hour club, on last Wednesday evening, at the W. O. W. hall, was well attended and all report a good time. The cake was won by Miss Nina Thompson, and Mrs. Dik Downing, which was equally divided between them.

The young people will give a party at the residence of Mr. Thomas Sturges, Thursday evening, in honor of the visiting strangers in the city.

A number of strangers spent Sunday in the city, and visited the church in the evening. They left over the St. Paul and Milwaukee at 9:50 o'clock for Duluth and Minneapolis.

Rev. Johnson preached again Wednesday night.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

Mrs. Brazier and little son of Keokuk spent a few days in the city last week visiting her husband who is an inmate at the hospital. While here she was the guest of Mrs. K. Bartlett.

Mrs. R. Thompson accompanied by her daughter and grand-daughter, Mrs. Robert Anderson and Dorothy, went to Des Moines last Sunday, called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Thompson's son Mr. Jas. Watson.

Mr. Perry Greenup of Burlington spent Sunday in the city.

The lawn fete held at the residence of Mrs. G. Logan last week was quite a success.

Miss Nora Bartlett was very pleasantly surprised last Friday evening by a party of young ladies who assembled at her pleasant home in honor of the anniversary of her 17th birthday. One of the pleasant features of the evening was the entire absence of gentlemen. It is needless to say that they enjoyed themselves.

Mr. John Owen left Saturday evening for Des Moines.

Miss Susie Foster returned to her home in Farmington last Thursday week.

Mrs. Joe Lamb returned to her home in La Crosse, Ia., last week.

Mr. John Greenup and wife of Lockridge spent Sunday with Mrs. Greenup's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. St. Clair.

The A. M. E. Missionary held their regular monthly meeting last Sunday evening. A very entertaining program was rendered.

Rev. Olmstead Coalsen and son Spurgeon of Burlington spent last week in the city visiting relatives. While here he preached several times at the Second Baptist church.

Mrs. M. Burnaugh and two children, Claude and Mandeline spent the Fourth in Burlington.

Mr. C. F. Burnaugh of Creston, Ia., spent the Fourth in the city with relatives.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Rev. P. P. Taylor came up from Davenport on Monday to spend the Fourth at home. He was accompanied by his family who have been visiting in Davenport for the past week.

We are pleased to state that Mrs. Rev. L. J. Phillips, of Moline, will be present to take part in the exercises on Woman's Day July 16th.

Rev. G. M. Tillman and wife will arrive Saturday for Dubuque where Rev. will assist the pastor of that city with quarterly meeting.

William Allen, Jr. spent a few days in the city last week.

Miss Leona Tarrell of Rock Island came up on the excursion given by the Presbyterian Church of that city on last Wednesday, spending a few hours with friends.

The date of the Sunday School picnic has been changed to Wednesday July 12th.

The Stewardess Board met with the President Mrs. A. A. Bush last week. M. O. Culberson is assisting his brother J. F. for a few days in his confectionary.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. L. Dameron, of Iowa city spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Wade, 1023—7th St. Mrs. Kidd, formerly of the Rapids, but now of Galesburg is now in the city.

Beatrice Wade left Wednesday morning on the fast mail for a visit with her aunt Mrs. Emma Harris of Des Moines.

Quite a number of our people went to Davenport on the excursion to spend the Fourth. Among them were Mrs. H. Perkins, Miss Emma Oliphant and Wm. Hallis.

The Sunday School Picnic has been postponed to the 20th of July. Place not decided upon.

Quarterly meeting here on the 2nd. P. E. Bundy was present and good meetings were had during each service. Miss Lucy Bland is visiting with friends in Oskaloosa.

As we lead we like to see others follow; last year Cedar Rapids' A. M. E. S. carried off all the honors at the State convention by receiving the banner presented by the convention. This year it continued to stay in the family. We must congratulate the Union Valley Baptist S. S. of Muchakinoek for receiving the Banner at Oskaloosa. "Muchy" is always up-to-date.

Conference is only about two months off. Every one is wondering who the next preacher will be.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

Miss Emma Oliphant of Cedar Rapids is visiting Miss Daisy Hannan at the home of her sister Mrs. Bell.

Mrs. Watt Hall entertained a few of her friends the evening of the Fourth in honor of Miss Oliphant. A very pleasant time was had.

Mr. Combs of Chicago, Ill., spend the Sunday with Miss Daisy Hannan.

Mr. William Harris left late last night for Chicago, Ill.

We are expecting Mrs. Ella Davis in the city this evening to spend a few weeks with her daughters, Mrs. J. Bell and Miss Daisy Hannan.

Mr. J. Bell is spending the Fourth with his brother in the northern part of Iowa.

Mrs. G. Green has company from Minneapolis, Minn.

CLARINDA NEWS.

Mrs. Rev. F. W. Johnson is on the sick list.

Robt Jones has been sick for a few days with rheumatism.

Miss Judy Nash entertained a few of her friends on Tuesday evening at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dunn and daughter Anna from Omaha is visiting their friends for a few days.

Mable Johnson from Gravity visited her relatives here.

Mrs. Allen Jones surprised her husband on their first anniversary, their was about 40 of his friends out Thursday evening.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Mr. Henry Cook and Miss Saliva Baker on the 16th of this month.

Frank Mathews and Wm. Lewis returned home from Bedford.

Miss Effie Knight returned home Tuesday evening after a weeks visit with her sister Mrs. Clinton Askford of Bedford.

James Brown of Creston is here visiting his mother Mrs. Judy Brown.

Mr. Joe Jones went fishing and caught a fish weighing ten or twelve pounds.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Stella Free is very sick.

Mr. Burk is convalescent.

The Mount Zion Baptist church will have a grand basket meeting the 5th Sunday and the meeting will be conducted by Rev. January.

Miss Cora Hays is mending.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. Della Mason passed through Albion Friday on her way to Ottumwa to visit her daughters in that city.

Mrs. Fanny Tomlin of Knoxville spent a day in our town and left for Missouri to spend the summer with her mother.

The A. M. E. church assisted by the Friend's church will hold a camp meeting for some weeks in Perry's Grove.

Miss Henrietta Jones, Mr. U. S. Jones Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Butler attended Wallace Circus in Oskaloosa Saturday.

MUSCATINE NEWS.

Mr. J. D. Lamb and Miss Minnie Seay were united in matrimony at the A. M. E. Parsonage June 22nd at three o'clock P. M. Rev. Searay officiated, a few relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony. In the evening a very pleasant reception was tendered them by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pierson, Mrs. Pierson being a sister of the bride. A very delicious supper was served and a good time was had by all present. Mr. and Mrs. Lamb are very highly respected by all who know them, they will be at home to their many friends after July 1st in Muscatine.

Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Sandy Priddy was the guest preacher and presented his

able sermons.

Lellah Johnson has returned from Oskaloosa.

S. Barnes is a sufferer of rheumatism at this writing.

Helen Johnson left last week for Muchakinoek where she will spend the fourth.

R. Thompson of Cedar Rapids is in the city, he expects to reside here permanently. His wife will join him next week.

The concert given by the New Plus Ultra club proved quite a success. They were successful in clearing the sum of \$26.85.

An outing in the woods these warm days would be enjoyed by old and young. Sunday School, give us a picnic!!!

KEOKUK NOTES.

The Cycling Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Diggs after their run last Tuesday evening.

The M. Y. O. B. Whist Club entertained the members of the Quincy Whist Club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bannister Wednesday evening.

Misses Grace and Anna Smith and Docie and Cora Corn were over from Kahoka Wednesday to attend the circus.

Mrs. M. J. Dove is home from Chicago. Miss Bertha Aiden had the misfortune to have one of her fingers cut off while working at the Tri-State Can Factory.

Richard Krys who was hurt while working at the Westminster Chapel is improving.

Mr. W. W. Fields has the contract of conveying the mail to and from the trains. He is assisted by Mr. Wm. Bush who drives the wagon in the day time.

The residence of Mr. F. D. Bland has been connected with the Iowa Telephone company's exchange.

Geo. Miller spent the fourth at his home in Canton.

Mrs. French Bland is visiting in Ottumwa.

Owing to the rainy weather many who had planned picnics and outings for the fourth were disappointed.

Several Keokuk persons went to Burlington to participate in the celebration there.

CARTER BENEFIT.

Special to Bystander.

MUCHAKINOOK, Iowa, June 29, 1899.

On last evening at the Muchakinoek Opera house occurred one of the most classical entertainments ever given in this community. The occasion was that of the "Benefit" in honor of Edward A. Carter, a Muchakinoek boy and the only Negro member of the class of '99 of the Oskaloosa High School. Immediately after Eddie's graduation a movement was originated by Mrs. L. B. Foster to assist him in the further pursuit of his studies, as it was known that he was desirous of taking a course of law in the State University. A committee of honor was organized with Mrs. L. B. Foster as chairman. It was composed chiefly of young ladies each pledging herself to solicit (\$1.00) one dollar for the "Benefit" Attorney Geo. H. Woodson was made secretary of the committee and Prof. S. Joe Brown, treasurer. After the young ladies had solicited a sufficient amount to insure a financial success it was decided to give a public reception in honor of Eddie's graduation and that reception to present him with the donation that had been made.

This reception was held last evening and was an overwhelming success in every particular. The program was arranged by Prof. S. Joe Brown and was in perfect harmony. The Brooks orchestra made its first appearance on this occasion and actually out did itself with the richness of its music. Among the other prominent features of the program, too numerous to mention all, were an oration by Miss Georgia Blackburn, of Oskaloosa, a dramatic recitation by Miss Lizzie Tate, of Oskaloosa, recitation by Miss Eunice Wilson of Burlington; addresses by Revs. Johnson, of Oskaloosa and Hunter of St. Louis and Messrs. Anderson, of Oskaloosa and Murray, of Ottumwa; paper by Mrs. J. H. McDowell, of Muchakinoek; recitations by Mrs. N. H. London and Misses Bertha Perkins, Blanche White (by request) Kittie Jones and Mrs. Daisy Jones, of Muchakinoek; vocal solos by Misses Neall Jones, Eva Bates, Susie Wilson and Mrs. Mamie Bickley; instrumental solos, cornet by Prof. A. B. Jackson, instructor; Muchakinoek Cornet band, Euphorium, by Wm. Thomas; clarinet by Linford Willis, Misses Anna Willis and Cora Thomas, accompanists.

Our collector will be in Oskaloosa, Ottumwa, Mt. Pleasant, Burlington, Fairfield and Keokuk this week. Please make arrangement to pay up.

IOWA STATE OBSERVER

By EVANGLINER, JULY 5, 1904.

CLARK COMMENDS MINIKIN.

Senator Clark commended the late Senator Minikin for his services to the state. He said: "If America had never done anything worthy of remembrance except presenting Dewey to mankind for reason for being would be vindicated. He is the very flower of American chivalry in the closing days of the nineteenth century. If he blossomed and matured under the cold light of the north star, he has no more ardent admirers than those who dwell beneath the southern cross. He belongs to the whole country, as he wrought and conquered for the whole country. Of the good things done by the fifty-fifth congress perhaps the best thing was naming Dewey an admiral, to be retired only on his own request. The fervent hope of all Americans is that he may live forever and ranking admiral all the time. In far-reaching consequences his victory at Manila ranks with the skirmish at Coward and Lexington, with the Declaration of Independence, the adoption of the constitution and Washington's inauguration. As the mighty Frederick said of his illustrious father, the great elector, so it may be said of Dewey with equal truth: 'This man did great things.' Coupled with these remarks was high commendation of President McKinley's conduct of the war with Spain."

HALF IS NOT KNOWN.

Damage to Property by Floods in Texas is Incalculable. Houston, Texas, July 6.—A correspondent has just returned from a voyage through the flood districts. The half has not been told of the havoc wrought. The disaster is so appalling that description is not possible. After this flood will come sickness, undoubtedly, and what a week ago was the fairest part of Texas is now almost a God-forsaken wilderness. The waters of the Brazos have for six days covered its valley to a depth of from six to thirty feet. Where a week ago there were every hand fields of cotton and corn and thousands of acres of watermelons and cantaloupes, to-day there is slimy mud over all the vegetation, carcasses of cows, mules, pigs, dogs and cats and mayhap humans, for many are missing. The district has a length of over 500 miles and a breadth of probably 50 miles, and in all this vast space incalculable damage has been done. The loss of life will never be fully known, perhaps. The bottoms were thickly settled, mostly with negro tenant farmers. Among these there has been the greatest loss of life. To show the damage done, the following estimates have been made by men who are in a position to know: Lives lost, from one hundred to three hundred; loss to farmers, including crops as well as live stock, from \$5,000,000 to \$15,000,000; damage to railroads and to country bridges, \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000. These estimates are taken in the whole area. It is known that more than sixty people have met their death; that many bodies have been recovered. It is not believed that all of them will ever be recovered.

A PRESENT TO M. CAMBON.

Recognition of His Services in Spanish-American Negotiations. Washington, July 3.—President McKinley has presented to the French ambassador, M. Cambon, a superb silver loving cup in recognition of the ambassador's friendly services in the negotiations which restored peace between the United States and Spain. The beautiful testimony was sent by Secretary Hay to the French embassy, accompanied by a note from the secretary, in which, speaking for the president, he expressed sincere appreciation for M. Cambon's considerate and disinterested services, and tendered the loving cup as an evidence of the esteem felt for him. The cup is of massive proportions and chaste design, and the significance of the gift is shown in the blending of the French and American coats of arms. It stands about two and one-half feet high, with the top of bowl about 10 inches across. The outer surface is silver, richly embossed, while the inside is of hammered gold.

PRISONERS TO BE FREED.

Spanish Commissioners Agree With the Philippines. Manila, July 7.—The Spanish commissioners who went to Tarlac for a conference with Aguinaldo regarding the surrender of the Spanish prisoners in the hands of the Filipinos have returned here. Chairman Del Rio of the commission said the release of all the prisoners had been practically arranged for, but it would be necessary to consult the Spanish government before the agreement could be ratified. He declined to give the terms of the arrangement or to say whether the prisoners contemplated a ransom. He asserted, however, that Aguinaldo had already issued a decree for the release of the civilian officials and the sick soldiers.

COST FIVE MILLIONS.

For the Transportation of Troops to the Philippines. San Francisco, July 5.—The Examiner prints in tabulated form a statement showing the cost of the transport service on this coast since war began. The total is \$5,030,000, of which \$4,233,400 was expended chartering 32 vessels. The amount spent on these transports when not in use being held in port either at San Francisco or at Manila is \$738,951. The remainder of the total cost of service is in the purchase of vessels and the loading up for coal, water, etc. The figures, not official, are said to be based on close estimates.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

HOLD-UP AT DE WITT.

Shaken Men Lost the Safe in the Northwestern Depot. Clinton, July 5.—A bold hold-up occurred at De Witt. Four men drove to the Northwestern depot, tied their hands, entered the station, covered the night operator and a conductor with revolvers, and ordered them to hold up their hands. The conductor was slow in complying and was struck a hard blow on the head. This brought him to time. The quartet then conducted the two men to the baggage room, where one of the number kept guard while the other three looted the safe, securing \$100. The robbers threatened to shoot the agent and the conductor if they made a noise or attempted to follow them. They then hurriedly entered a carriage and rapidly drove away. The officials of the company were at once notified of the robbery, and a determined effort will be made to capture the thieves. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers, who were cool and deliberate. Each wore a mask.

SHOT HIS WIFE.

Then Turned the Weapon Upon Himself, Dying Instantly.

Marshalltown, July 5.—This city was shaken from center to circumference by the discovery of the lifeless body of James Hoyka lying across the prostrate form of his young wife, a bullet hole in his brain and stream of blood slowly oozing from the hole in the skull. Mrs. Hoyka was not dead, but unconscious from the effects of five bullet wounds in different parts of the body. Mrs. Hoyka was removed to the hospital. Her husband, would-be murderer and suicide, was taken to the morgue. Mrs. Hoyka was the wife of James Hoyka, a Bohemian. It is alleged their domestic relations were not the most pleasant, the husband being insanely jealous of his young and pretty wife.

TO SAVE LAKES.

State Will Restrict Parties From Draining Rice Lake.

Des Moines, July 5.—Attorney General Remley has been authorized by the executive council to restrain E. H. Smith, of Cedar Rapids, who was about to begin draining Rice lake, near Lake Mills, in Winnebago and Worth counties. Smith bought the land around Rice lake from James Callahan, of Des Moines. He claims that it should be classed as swamp land, and that as such the state has no right to prohibit his draining it. However, it being a lake falls under the head of state property. If Smith begins work action will be taken immediately. If not, nothing will be done until the next term of court.

LOPER CABLES.

Colonel Reports to Governor Shaw the Condition of Soldiers.

Des Moines, July 5.—The following cablegram has been received by Governor Shaw from Colonel Loper, at Manila:

"Wounded doing well. Stevenson, Nasser, Gardner and Markey on route home. Nasser serious. LOPER." Elmer F. Nasser is a member of Co. D, and hails from Hiteam. Joseph I. Markey is from Red Oak, and belongs to Co. M. There are two Sterns and two Gardners in the Fifty-first, Clifford P. and John O., respectively, are in Co. H and L, and from Des Moines and Waterloo. The Gardners—Carl M. and Arthur C. are both from Council Bluffs and in Co. L.

VICTIM OF ROBBERS' ASSAULT.

L. E. Atwood Dies From Sandbagging Received Three Weeks Ago.

Stout City, July 5.—L. E. Atwood, an old and wealthy citizen of Stout City, died from the effect of a sandbagging received about three weeks ago. It is not known who his assailant was. After the assault he was so much unbalanced that he wandered about the streets several days before searchers found and took him home. The police and coroner are investigating the case. The attack was undoubtedly for the purpose of robbery.

Mills Behind the Bars.

Bloomfield, July 6.—Clarence Mills, the young man who murdered his wife with a razor, and then attempted suicide by cutting his own throat, is now behind the bars of the Davis county jail. Mills's self-inflicted injuries were not as severe as at first thought, and he will recover. The plea of insanity was withdrawn and the coroner's jury brought in a verdict that Mrs. Mills came to her death by a razor in the hands of her husband. Mills was at once arrested and placed in jail to await preliminary examination as soon as his health will permit.

Death of S. L. Dows, Jr.

Cedar Rapids, July 9.—Steven L. Dows, Jr., died of alcoholism and from the effects of the shock upon realization of the fact that he had shot his brother, Col. Dows, late of the Forty-ninth Iowa. It developed that it was while he was insane from the effect of liquor that he shot his brother. The colonel was trying to disarm him when the weapon was discharged. The deceased was a member of one of the most prominent and highly respected families in Iowa, and the whole city is shocked at his tragic end.

Three Boys Drowned.

Waterloo, July 5.—Three boys were drowned while bathing in the Cedar river by the swift current below the lower dam. Roy Harbaugh ventured beyond his depth and in a vain effort to save him Bert and John Hoover were also drowned.

Iowa Wounded in Philippines.

Washington, July 5.—In the list of casualties sent by Gen. Otis appears that of Edward F. Brown, of Co. C, Fifty-first Iowa, who is suffering with a moderate wound in the nates.

Paul Fugate Dead.

Washington, July 6.—Otis cables the death of Paul Fugate, a member of Co. L, Fifty-first Iowa, who succumbed to typhoid fever July 1.

LUDWICK'S FATAL FRENZY.

Fatally Shot Miss Bertha Whitehead and Himself.

Des Moines, July 5.—At the residence of William Whitehead, 630 Lyon street, at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, William Ludwick fatally shot Miss Bertha Whitehead, and turning the revolver to his own head fired and fell dead. Miss Whitehead was a niece of Fireman Whitehead, at whose home the drama of death was enacted. Ludwick was about 30 years of age, while Miss Whitehead was 20. Both the man and the woman were residents of Rockwell City. Each had felt the touch of affection one for the other, but Ludwick, in an evil hour, yielded to weakness and committed a crime for which he was apprehended, convicted and sentenced for a term of fifteen months in the penitentiary at Anamosa. The disgrace with which his name was tarnished was such that Miss Whitehead cast him out of her thoughts and resolved to have nothing to do with him in the future. Two months ago Ludwick's term of imprisonment expired, and he had tried to renew the old relations. His failure led to the double tragedy.

MILLS MAKES A CONFESSION.

Declares That He and His Wife Agreed to Die Together.

Ottumwa, July 5.—Clarence Mills, of Bloomfield, has confessed that he killed his wife by cutting her throat with a razor, and then using the same instrument on himself. In his confession he says that he and his wife agreed that life was not worth living, decided to die together, and it was left for him to do the killing.

Prime Gets a Commotion.

Des Moines, July 7.—General John R. Prime has been given a commission as general of the first brigade of the Iowa National Guard. This ends the long controversy which has gone through the courts and attracted so much attention during the past two years. The commission dates from March 25, 1898, for five years, giving General Prime about two years to serve.

BREVITIES.

After long and tedious delays, the contract for building the new court house in Johnson county has been let to Dawson & Moore, of Grand Rapids, Minn., for \$74,650. The stone to be used is the Berea sandstone of Berea, Ohio. The board of supervisors intend to employ a superintendent from among the home builders to protect the county's interests, and to see that all specifications are complied with.

Dr. George Cogley, a dentist of Shenandoah, was a few days ago fishing near Farragut in company with Dr. Perkins, son of Railroad Commissioner Perkins. They made a bomb of gas pipe to explode on a battery. The bomb exploded on the bank, wounding both, Cogley fatally, and death resulted within a few hours. Cogley was a son-in-law of ex-State Representative Frink.

Manager Ackerman, of a West Des Moines Ten-cent store, was a few days ago found guilty of treating his help cruelly. He was fined \$10 and instructed to get stools for his help as soon as he could. Ackerman gave notice of an appeal. His defense was that his help had an opportunity to use old soap boxes for seats, but the court held that soap boxes are not stools or seats within the meaning of the law.

Des Moines dispatch: The state of Iowa closed its regular biennial period Friday, June 30. State Treasurer Herriott has given out a statement concerning finances, in which he says the biennium leaves the state with a treasury surplus of practically a half million dollars. The amount, he adds, will be increased when the October taxes come in. He expresses the opinion that the next legislature will be able to make a material reduction in the tax levies.

The village of Bloomfield was thrown into a fever of excitement by the discovery of the dead body of Mrs. Clarence Mills, her throat cut from ear to ear and the almost lifeless form of her husband, the slayer and probable suicide, lying close to her. The two were found together, both with gaping wounds in the throat, which, together with a razor clamped tightly in the hands of Mills, indicated too plainly the methods by which Mrs. Mills was put to death. She had been dead for some time, but Mills was faintly breathing and may recover. The cause for the insane act was not learned.

Des Moines dispatch: Governor Shaw has received from Governor Tanner a proclamation prescribing regulations of cattle importation into Illinois. It entirely prohibits the importation into the state of dairy or breeding cattle, cows, calves or bulls, for dairy or breeding purposes except under certain stringent regulations. These regulations, prepared by the state live stock commission and approved by the governor, are designed to prevent the introduction of tuberculosis into the state. Illinois has had much trouble on account of tuberculosis from milk, and the regulations are to be strictly enforced. The order does not interfere with the shipment of cattle to Illinois stock yards or packers for slaughter.

Des Moines dispatch: The board of control has completed its task of reorganizing the salary lists of the state institutions. Salaries of a large number of subordinates have been raised. None of the high-priced officers have been increased. Last year the steward at one of the institutions was cut from \$1,800 to \$1,000 annually. This year the cooks at the same institutions are raised from \$25 to \$35 a month. Board, laundry work and lodging is given in addition to this. Assistant cooks are raised from \$15 to \$25 a month. Laundry managers go from \$25 to \$30. The assistant bakers in a number of the institutions are raised from \$15 to \$25 a month. Farm hands are increased from \$20 to \$25, and the "boss farmer" at each institution, provided he does better work in the future than in the past, will receive \$60 instead of the \$50 that he heretofore been paid. But this increase will only be given if it is earned. The board intends to enforce better attendance to the institutions. The salaries of all the teachers in the school for the deaf at Council Bluffs are increased either \$5 or \$10.

DICK RODNEY; or, The Adventures of An Eton Boy...

BY JAMES GRANT.

CHAPTER XXIV.

The Thunderbolt.

An emotion of mingled freedom and satisfaction possessed the whole crew on being rid of our tormentor, and Lambourne now took charge of the brig, which he was perfectly able to handle and work, though ignorant of navigation, science, and having but a vague idea of the course to steer for the Cape of Good Hope.

She was home in the wind, while in the moonlight, about two hours after the exciting scene which closes the last chapter, we committed to the deep the body of Antonio's last victim, the poor apprentice, whom the sailmaker sewed up in his hammock, to which, being without shot or other suitable weights, we tied a sack of coals to sink the corpse.

The head-yards were filled again, and, as if anxious to leave that portion of the sea as far as possible astern, we hauled up for the cape. Tom Lambourne ordered every stich of canvas that the spars would hold to be spread upon the rigging, that she might as he said, "walk through the water in her own style."

All he could do at first was to keep her in the course we had been steering on the night these disasters began, for as yet we knew not to what degree of latitude, south or north, we might have been drifting; however, we calculated that Hislop, weak as he was, might be able to take a solar observation, and prick off our place on the chart, in the course of six or seven days.

We had the usually snug little cabin cleaned and cleared from the debris created by the outrageous proceedings of Antonio, who must have gone to the bottom with all Weston's valuables and money about him, as we could find neither; and the sweet expression of the poor widow's face, as it seemed to smile on us from the miniature on the after-bulkhead, contrasted strangely with all the wild work that had so lately taken place on board.

Hislop and I were restored to our former berths, and then more than once in my dreams the pale olive-green visage and glaring eyes of the Cuban came before me, and again I seemed to see him clinging unlit and in desperation to the slender boom which swung above the seething sea—for his death and all its concomitant horrors haunted me and made me unhappy.

The intensity of the heat in that season suggested the idea that we could not have drifted far south of the line. So great was it that the upper spars of the Eugene appeared to wriggle or vibrate like serpents aloft in the sunshine; while so hot, so clear and so rarefied was the atmosphere between decks that it was suffocating, especially in the lulling of the faint breeze. A white heat seemed to make sea and sky grow pale, and the former cast upward a reflection from its glassy surface and long smooth swells that was hot—hot beyond all description.

Though ever and anon the upper deck was drenched with salt water, it dried immediately, emitting a strong odor of wet wood, while the skids over the side failed to keep the paint, tar and rosin rising in large burnt blisters. About the time when we hoped that Hislop would have been well enough to make an observation, even by being placed in a chair on deck, the weather became so rough that he was unable to leave his berth, and during all that day the brig drove before a heavy gale, with her courses hauled close up, the fore and main topsails yards joggled on the caps, and their canvas close reefed.

After the heat we had endured, the reader may imagine this gale would be refreshing and a relief. Not so. The atmosphere, as it became dark with gathering clouds, increased in density, closeness and heat, thus about the time we should have had clear twilight, the hour was gloomy as a northern midnight—so dark that the men in the tops, or those lying out along the foot-ropes in the yard-arm, when under close-reefed topsails, could not be seen from the deck, while the breeze that swept over the ocean was breathless—hot as the sunbeam of the desert; and men knew not whether they were drenched by perspiration or the spindrift torn from the warm wave tops by the increasing blast.

The peculiar appearance of this black sea alarmed and bewildered Tattooed Tom, who could make nothing of it, while poor Marc Hislop, whose skill would have been invaluable to us, when he heard the slinging out on deck, the thunder of the bellying courses struggling with their brails, the roar of the wind through the half-braced masts and rigging, the clatter of blocks and feet overhead, writhed in his bed, and mourned his own inactivity, or rather incapacity; but he sent me to tell Lambourne to cover up the anchor with wetted canvas, as it was not improvable, by the state of the atmosphere, that it was full of electricity and thus we might be in a dangerous way.

"Tell Tom," he whispered, "it is a trade-wind gale—I know it to be so." "How?" I asked, "when you are lying here below?" "By the barometer, which remains high, while the wind is steady," replied Hislop in a low voice, for he was still very weak; "if the barometer fall, be sure it will become a typhoon, and then, with a short-handed craft, heaven help us! But assure Tom it is not as yet a trade-wind gale—to take as much canvas off her as he can, and to make all snug aloft. We'll have thunder directly, Dick—such thunder as you can only hear in the tropics."

He sank back, exhausted even by these few words, while I hurried on deck with his orders. I had scarcely conveyed them to Lambourne, who was keeping a look-out forward, when, amid the dusky obscurity of sea and sky, there burst a sudden gleam of wondrous light.

every hatchway and aperture, above the howling of the wind and the breaking of the frothy sea. "Shove off!—out there, there, to starboard—pull round her stern—pull with a will to windward—keep the boat's bow to the break of the sea!"

We pulled silently and vigorously, and soon got clear of the brig, through the four stern windows of which four lines of light glared redly on the ocean. All our strength was required to achieve this, for the brig, being the larger body, attracted the boat toward her. However we got safely to windward, which was absolutely necessary, for to leeward there fell hissing into the sea a torrent of sparks and burning brands from the rigging, which was all in flames now.

Resting upon our oars, or only using them to keep the boat's head to the break of the sea, and to prevent her being swamped—an operation during which they were as often floundered in the air as in the ocean, when we rose on the crest of one vast, heaving wave, or sank into the dark vale of water between two—resting thus, we gazed in silence and with aching hearts at the destruction of our home upon the sea.

We could feel the heat of the conflagration even to windward. In a quarter of an hour she was enveloped from stem to stern in a sheet of fire that rose skyward in the form of a pyramid. By this time every vestige of her spars, sails and rigging had disappeared.

The entire deck had been consumed; the bulwarks and molded plank-sheer rapidly followed, and through the flames that roared fiercely from the hollow of her hull we could see the black timberheads standing upward like a row of fangs.

Rents appeared next in her sides as the flames burst through the inner and outer sheathing, and with a hissing sound as they met the waves of the briny sea. Then a salt steam rose, and its strange odor, with that of the burning wood, was wafted at times toward us.

At last she gave a sudden heel to starboard, and with a sound unlike anything I ever heard before—a deluge of water extending in mighty fountains, she rushed tumultuously in on all sides. She vanished from our sight in mist and obscurity, and a heavy darkness suddenly replaced the glare that for a time had lit up the heaving sea, dazzling our eyes and sickening our hearts.

(To be continued.)

WESTERN NOMENCLATURE.

Movement to Change the Curious, Quaint Names of Oregon Towns.

It is difficult to shake off the names attached to streams and mountains by the pioneers of a new country. With few exceptions Washington state has fared well in nomenclature. In a majority of instances Indian names have been retained, and usually they are easy and poetical. But in some cases the individuality of the first settlers prompted them to an effort to improve on the native names of streams and sections, and in some instances they were not happy in their originality. The word Hangman has clung to the little stream which skirts Spokane on its western border, and repeated spasmodic efforts to center the public mind on the more melodious name Latan have failed of their purpose. Now Senator Plummer of this county has introduced a bill at Olympia to make this change, and as no objection can attach to the measure it will probably pass, and may exert sufficient force to bring about the desired change. A few years ago an esthetic movement swept through the Oregon legislature, and a number of pioneer names were turned down for more polite ones. The good people of Alkali, in eastern Oregon, imagined that the name was not one to conjure eastern capital, and dropped it for Arlington. A new name was devised for Bully creek, and Yaller Dog and Bake Oven were tabooed as primitive and unpoetic. Bake Oven has adhered, and is still the name of a post-office. Indeed, much room remains for improvement of the nomenclature of Oregon, which includes in its list of postoffices the towns of Burnt Ranch, Gooseberry, Haystack, Lobster, Long Tom, Mule, Shake, Shirk, Starvew, and Sucker. A few names in Idaho could be dropped for the better, among them Bayhorse, Corral, Gimlet, Gentle Valley, Sawtooth, and Yellow Jacket.—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

STRATFORD-ON-AVON.

Important Improvements Since the Time of William Shakespeare.

The clerical staff, postmen, rural messengers, and others connected with the Stratford postoffice, and the sub-postmasters of the district, were entertained at supper at the Unicorn hotel on Tuesday night, this being the twenty-seventh annual gathering. The mayor (W. Pearce) presided, and was supported by a number of the leading tradesmen, the vice chair being occupied by E. B. Wynn. Responding for "Our Postmistress" (proposed by G. Boyden), Mr. Doonan, (chief clerk) spoke of the great increase of work at the Stratford postoffice. Within the last few years the clerical staff has been doubled and the number of telegrams was increased at the rate of 10,000 a year. The year 1897 showed an increase of 10,000 over those of 1896, and now, from the returns just made up, it appeared that there was a further increase of 10,000 over those of 1897. (Applause.) The telephone was about to be added, the clerical staff was to be further increased, the duplex system of telegraphy had been authorized in order to cope with the increased work and, notwithstanding that the postoffice had been built only a few years, some important structural alterations and enlargements had become imperative and were about to be carried out. (Applause.) All this showed that they were progressing at a most satisfactory rate, and he looked forward to further important developments.—Birmingham Post.

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The rider must be a mathematical reptile.

The appointment of W. C. Hayes as

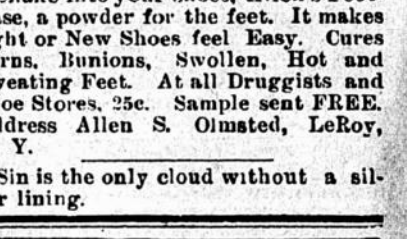
Locomotive Superintendent of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will be followed by a distinct change in the plan of over-seeing locomotives in service. The positions of "Supervisors of engines and trains" have been abolished and traveling engineers substituted, who will report to the new official, Mr. Clark, Baltimore. The road has been divided into the following subdivisions and a traveling engineer appointed for each: Philadelphia to Washington; Baltimore to Brunswick; Brunswick to Cumberland; Cumberland to Grafton; Grafton to Newwood and Parkersburg; Pittsburg to Cumberland and Wheeling; Wheeling to Sandusky and branches; Chicago to Akron. The plan is expected to produce economical results with an improved service.

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Consul Marcum (Pretoria, Transvaal Republic) writes that the average exports of gold from the port of South Africa amount now to about \$2,092,593 each week.

COLORADO PARKS.

Nature's Storehouse of Health in the Rocky Mountains.

The season of summer travel, with its delights of recreation and new scenery, change of air and forgetfulness of business cares and duties, is again upon us, and the question most considered in cottage and spacious home is, "Where shall we spend our summer vacation?"

The answer is equally important to those of limited means and their more fortunate neighbors. Those who live in the central west naturally seek the higher altitudes, and the neighboring state of Colorado furnishes near and comparatively inexpensive and delightful resorts. The Union Pacific has expended vast sums of money in its efforts to provide health and comfort for its passengers to Colorado, and its lines reach the most desirable points, and traverse the immense parks which Nature has established in the mountains. To fully understand the Colorado parks they must be seen. No description can do them justice, and neither the skill of a Bierstadt or Moran could picture their pure atmosphere—so like the breath from Paradise—nor reproduce their beautiful colors and forms. In the city a park is a huge square, with trees in checker-board primness, where the lakes have fish as tame as chickens; the animals are in cages, and are neither attractive nor natural. But how different in a mountain park! The range kindly parts to give it room and shields it in its great arms. There are grassy hills and dales where feed the noblest game, and trees which shelter birds of plumage and song. The lakes—some of them miles in length—are rippled by the coming and going of ducks and geese. The streams bear along, eager for the bait of the angler, the speckled loads of trout, most delicious as they brown over the evening's coals. There are no precise gravelled walks, and no elaborate fountains, but the foothill is lost on the turf, and springs gush forth with sparkling tune to gladden the thirsty with a liquid such as never ran through the rusty pipes of a city. The altitude gives coolness without chill, and warmth without oppressive heat. "The Overland" is the name given to the Union Pacific Railroad and it has become a synonym for comfortable travel. The equipment of its trains is up to the standard required by modern tourists, and it makes the best time and traverses a scenic route which has made it famous.

No better advice may be offered to those who are weary of the heat and care of home than to apply to the nearest agent of the Union Pacific for tickets by its route to the coolness and pleasures of Colorado parks.

No one becomes unhappy by doing good deeds.

Do you get up with a headache?

Is there a bad taste in your mouth?

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ALL OVER THE WORLD

ALASKA BOUNDARY QUESTION

Prospect Not Good for an Amicable Settlement.

Washington dispatch: The negotiations in London looking to the arrangement of a modus vivendi on the Alaskan boundary dispute have apparently reached a crisis. Messrs. Choate and Salisbury have had several conferences recently, with signally disappointing results. It was thought that a basis for an understanding had been reached, and that only easily arranged details remained, but it turned out that these very details cannot be settled without the sacrifice of the interests of many American miners, mainly those driven out of the Atlin district by the severe discriminating laws of British Columbia. This the state department determined to not sanction. Mr. Choate has come to the end of the concessions he was authorized to offer, therefore the prospect for the successful outcome of the negotiations is rather depressing. This leaves the re-convening of the joint high commission at Quebec in the air, though the date set for the meeting is rapidly approaching.

Some men are long headed and narrow minded.

Are You Using Allen's Foot-Powder?

It is the only cure for Swollen, Smarting, Burning, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. At all Drugists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Consul Marcum (Pretoria, Transvaal Republic) writes that the average exports of gold from the port of South Africa amount now to about \$2,092,593 each week.

COLORADO PARKS.

Nature's Storehouse of Health in the Rocky Mountains.

The season of summer travel, with its delights of recreation and new scenery, change of air and forgetfulness of business cares and duties, is again upon us, and the question most considered in cottage and spacious home is, "Where shall we spend our summer vacation?"

The answer is equally important to those of limited means and their more fortunate neighbors. Those who live in the central west naturally seek the higher altitudes, and the neighboring state of Colorado furnishes near and comparatively inexpensive and delightful resorts. The Union Pacific has expended vast sums of money in its efforts to provide health and comfort for its passengers to Colorado, and its lines reach the most desirable points, and traverse the immense parks which Nature has established in the mountains. To fully understand the Colorado parks they must be seen. No description can do them justice, and neither the skill of a Bierstadt or Moran could picture their pure atmosphere—so like the breath from Paradise—nor reproduce their beautiful colors and forms. In the city a park is a huge square, with trees in checker-board primness, where the lakes have fish as tame as chickens; the animals are in cages, and are neither attractive nor natural. But how different in a mountain park! The range kindly parts to give it room and shields it in its great arms. There are grassy hills and dales where feed the noblest game, and trees which shelter birds of plumage and song. The lakes—some of them miles in length—are rippled by the coming and going of ducks and geese. The streams bear along, eager for the bait of the angler, the speckled loads of trout, most delicious as they brown over the evening's coals. There are no precise gravelled walks, and no elaborate fountains, but the foothill is lost on the turf, and springs gush forth with sparkling tune to gladden the thirsty with a liquid such as never ran through the rusty pipes of a city. The altitude gives coolness without chill, and warmth without oppressive heat. "The Overland" is the name given to the Union Pacific Railroad and it has become a synonym for comfortable travel. The equipment of its trains is up to the standard required by modern tourists, and it makes the best time and traverses a scenic route which has made it famous.

No better advice may be offered to those who are weary of the heat and care of home than to apply to the nearest agent of the Union Pacific for tickets by its route to the coolness and pleasures of Colorado parks.

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SOCIAL-POLITICAL REFORMS

Arrangements Made for Permanent Organization—Resolutions Adopted.

BUFFALO, July 5.—At a session of the social and political conference President George A. Gates, of Iowa College, presented a resolution favoring a permanent organization with annual meetings. This was adopted, and the chair appointed a committee on organization. The committee on resolutions presented a long preamble and resolution about the "inhuman and inexcusable war of conquest in the Philippines," declaring such a war to be "an affront to every sentiment of humanity, a denial of the essential principles of justice and a repudiation of the fundamental theory of our American government."

This was carried by a vote of 97 to 24. Resolutions opposing "all laws tending to limit or abridge the suffrage of American citizens, or seeking to place under partisan control the machinery of elections, endorsing the ten commandments, expressing a belief in heaven, opposing lynching, approving of voluntary co-operation as one of the means of industrial reforms, and declaring that all money should be issued by the government only, were declared carried.

CABINET IS ALARMED.

Korean Rebellion is Assuming Serious Proportions.

TACOMA, Wash., July 5.—Late oriental advice state that twenty ringleaders of rioters who destroyed and burned the electric tramway cars at Seoul last month were executed in public at Korea's capital four weeks ago. They met their fate bravely. Their heads were cut off and exhibited in public places as a warning to all evil-doers. It was believed that this summary action would also have an important influence upon the leaders of the Korean rebellion, which was assuming large proportions. At last accounts the insurgents were marching toward Seoul. The emperor and his cabinet are thoroughly alarmed. Late messages state that the government at Seoul has issued instructions to the garrisons of King Ju and Chul Ju to proceed to Kofu to suppress the insurrection.

MORE MEN FOR OTIS.

President Broadens His Plan to Enlist Volunteers.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Plans for the volunteer army have again been broadened, and instead of 40,000 men General Otis is to be given nearer 50,000. President McKinley has decided to organize ten regiments of volunteers in the United States instead of seven. These will be in addition to the recruits for the two or three skeletonized regiments at Manila. In other words, General Otis is to have twelve or thirteen volunteer regiments. When General Otis gets all the regulars assigned to him he will have 39,000 of that class of troops. The two forces will therefore approximate 47,000, exclusive of the hospital corps.

Order Issued.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—An order for the enlistment of ten new regiments of infantry was issued yesterday by the secretary of war. It says the regiments are to be recruited from the country at large and be numbered consecutively from the Twenty-sixth to the Thirty-fifth. It provides for commissioned officers except lieutenants, to be assembled at the regimental rendezvous for the purpose of "theoretical and practical instruction in the organization of military administration, drill regulations, discipline, hygiene, camp sanitation, etc. Daily instruction in nomenclature, care and assembly of parts of rifle and target practice will be the special feature of instruction to both officers and men. Applications for commissions, except officers of the regular army, will be required to pass a satisfactory examination as to age, moral, mental and physical capacity to command troops and must have been seen during the Spanish-American war." The regiments will be recruited by the recruiting service of the regular army, the service to extend to June 30, 1901, "without restriction as to citizenship or educational qualifications, but in all respects under the same rules and regulations as prescribed for recruiting service. Except in special cases, only unmarried men may be enlisted."

FOURTH AT MANILA.

All Nationalities Participate in Patriotic Exercises.

MANILA, July 5.—There was a great celebration of the Fourth of July here, with fireworks, bands, speeches and decorations everywhere, all nationalities participating. The foreign guests and consulates, including the Spanish, raised their colors in conjunction with the stars and stripes. The flagship Baltimore fired a national salute at noon. All nationalities enjoyed what the Spanish papers termed "the fiesta of North America."

FIRST ORDERS ARE ISSUED.

The Government is Now Ready to Enlist Volunteers.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The first orders have been issued for recruiting the troops under the clause authorizing the enlistment of 35,000 men. The order contemplates enlisting men for three skeleton regiments in the Philippines. Recruiting officers have been instructed to enlist men with this understanding.

More Volunteers Leaving Philippines.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—The war department received the following from General Otis: "The California infantry and artillery, numbering fourteen hundred, and discharged men, will take the Sherman, now loading at Negros. The Warren takes the Colorado, eleven hundred, now preparing preparatory papers. It is difficult to lighten the transports in the typhoon now prevailing. The Grant will be unloaded in four days, and will take on the Idaho, North Dakota and Wyoming, fifty-five officers and fifteen hundred men, a couple of discharged men." General's Assistant, Smith and Hill are ordered home, so that they are removed from consideration so far as the campaign in the Philippines is concerned.

WONDERFUL EXHIBITION

Some of the Great Features of the First Greater America Exposition.

THE SUPERB ELECTRICAL DISPLAY

From July 1 to November 1 the City of Omaha Will Welcome Visitors to a Magnificent Exhibition.

Since the institution of the first primitive fair for the exchange of wares among ancient traders, it has been grander and more interesting than its immediate predecessors. The Greater America Exposition will be no exception to this rule. In the variety and novelty of its educational and amusement features it will without question surpass the exposition of 1893. Its exhibits are not only more numerous, but more novel and instructive than were those of a year ago. The amusement concessions, also more numerous, present many novelties and all are grander in design and proportion than those of any former exposition. The illuminations and pyrotechnical displays will be upon a scale of magnificence heretofore not attempted, and a line of special features and days is contemplated of almost sensational interest.

One of the crowning features of the exposition is the electrical illumination. The display of last year was conceded to be the most effective ever

arranged, and that has been vastly improved upon. The exposition is grand and beautiful by day, but when darkness spreads its sable wings then a fairy city springs into existence, each outline defined, each tower and minaret clear cut and brilliant with myriad flashing stars of changing chiming lights. Last year 30,000 electric lights were used in the illumination of the court of honor; this summer 5,400 lights flash and gleam from cornices and from arch, from balustrade to lofty spire, from pillared colonnade to gilded dome reared high in air.

The splendid electrical fountain at the western end of the lagoon is a veritable rainbow of changing lights, now clearest green, and then from sprays and showers of crimson to all the colors of the rainbow mingled, shifting, changing, a dream of fleeting beauty. Around the court, gardens of tropical plants bloom by day and blossom by night more brilliant hues by night. Over 3,000 lights clustered and colored to represent the full-bloom flowers, lights the foliage and gives the effect of fairy gardens the like of which has never been equaled or approached. Concealing that of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition. Manufactures building is filled with a bewildering display, and there is demand for more space than can be found. In the way of live exhibits—that is, machinery in operation—it is probable that this exposition will surpass, in extent and variety, all previous efforts. Machinery Hall will be filled with this exhibit. Silk weaving from the beginning with the raw silk to the completion of the cloth; the manufacture of hats, from the raw material to the finished article; in short, a hundred different articles of commerce being made at the same time, and under one roof. In the electricity building will be seen all that is latest and most interesting in electrical apparatus and appliances: dynamo, telephone exchanges, exhibitions of lighting, heating and cooking. In brief, scores of interesting and curious things such as can only be found in a display of this kind, and which must be seen to be appreciated.

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PERIL IS PASSED.

Belgian Government Narrowly Escapes an Insurrection.

BRUSSELS, July 6.—The Belgian kingdom has escaped a very strong shaking. The socialists, who are admirably disciplined, had purchased firearms, collected stores of every kind to fight the police, the constabulary and all representatives of authority and organize a real insurrection had M. Van den Peereboom's bill not been withdrawn. The danger has subsided for the present. It is thought, however, that the special committee to which the three alternative bills have been referred will fail to agree, and that a dissolution of parliament will be an appeal to the country on the question of universal suffrage will ensue. Should the committee agree on any bill distasteful to the socialists and liberals an insurrection will only have been postponed a few days or weeks. The opposition is in the greatest earnest—ready to lose and spill blood.

Cause of the Strike.

PARIS, July 6.—The Brussels correspondent of the Figaro gives some striking official figures, which reveal in clear light the moving cause of the crisis that has shaken Belgium to its center. The chamber of deputies is composed of 152 members. The government or clerical vote at the last election for representatives in this body was 93,837, while the opposition vote for socialists and liberals together was 93,238. On a fair, equitable system of representation this would give the government about seventy-eight and the opposition seventy-four representatives, or a majority margin of four for the former. Now, as a matter of fact, the clericals have 113 members and their opponents only 40; that is to say, while the clericals outnumber the liberals and socialists at the polls by a fewer than 54,000 votes in a total of nearly 2,000,000, they outnumber them in the chamber by nearly three to one. Such is the practical effect of the present system of proportionate representation and plural voting since its adoption some six years ago. That system has been assailed by socialists and liberals, and has even been disapproved by moderate clericals. The necessity of reforming it was recognized by King Leopold, but the bill brought forward by Premier Van den Peereboom, though ostensibly a reform measure, is really designed to

