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IOWA'S LEADING COLORED PAPER.

CITY NEWS.

Telephone 255 Center street, for coal.

See that your friends are registered.

Miss Mable Hall was ill a few days this week.

Voters remember the registration is on Saturday.

Miss Cora Smith who has been extremely low is improving.

The interest continue, the accessions to the church will reach over 110.

Mrs. Mary Richardson, who has been very sick, is much improved.

Remember the election next Monday and vote the straight republican ticket.

Mrs. Mattie Johnson, is having phenomenal success with her work in our city.

Rev. C. W. Carter made a pleasant trip to his home last Sunday in Clinton.

Mr. Edward Burke spent a few days at his home in Council Bluffs the past week.

The many friends of Miss Sophia Bass were glad to see her at Sunday School. She is convalescent.

Center Coal Mining Company, 1007 Center street is the best place to buy coal.

The Rev. Joseph Underwood, who is conducting a series of meetings at Frazer, was in the city this week.

Miss Lizzie Reeves who went to Hot Springs, Ark., returned home last Saturday.

Mrs. Alex Griffin has been ill the past week but some better also the children are improving.

Wm. Baily, C. W. Carter, Jefferson Logan and Nathan Middleton were in the legislative delegation that visited the State Agriculture at Ames last Tuesday.

Mr. Burk, a legislative employee, left to-day for his home in Council Bluffs to take part in the city election on Monday.

Mrs. Nathan Middleton and little boy visited over Sunday with Mr. Middleton, who is employed in the legislature.

The Bystander will be on sale every week at Mrs. Anna Hall's boarding house. Price five cents.

Miss Zoe Richardson, of Clive, will assume her work as stenographer in the Bystander office Monday, after an absence since Christmas.

Mrs. Lizzie Palmer who has been visiting her relatives and friends in New Orleans, La., returned Thursday and reports a pleasant time.

Mr. G. O. Terrell, formerly of this city, and Messrs J. S. James and Walter Edgar of Colfax were visitors last Saturday. They made the Bystander a pleasant call.

Mr. Russ, an old and highly esteemed citizen of La. Crew, Lee County, Ia., spent a few days in our city last week visiting. He is a successful farmer. While here he called at the Bystander office and ordered the paper sent to his daughter.

Get your coal at 1007 Center street.

Mrs. Wilson Hughes is sick again at this writing.

Let every colored voter do his duty by going to his voting precinct and vote for Frank Blagburn.

Harris-Emery Company will soon be able to move in their new store, first of April, where they will be glad to meet all their friends.

Miss Sophia Bass, who have been sick for sometime, was able to take her place as the organist of the A. M. E. Sunday school last Sunday, she was a little tired but she believed the outing did her good.

The colored voters, held a Mac Vicar meeting at the court house last Tuesday, quite a number were present. John L. Thompson presided. The speakers were W. J. Jayne (white) R. N. Hyde, W. R. Fraizer, John Raily, Fred Douglass, John Earley, Douglass Patterson, J. Frank Blagburn, and Thomas Murphy.

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

Mr. Robert Good was called to Kansas City Sunday by a telegram announcing the death of his only sister, Mrs. Amanda Holliday. She was 65 years of age and had been a member of the M. E. church for half a century. Robert and his sister were owned by Dr. Hughes, of Richmond, Mo., in the old slavery days.—Decatur County Journal.

The main interest in Des Moines the past two weeks among the colored society is the revival meeting. The interest has grown so much that the church is crowded each evening and numbers are turned away. There are about 8 to 10 mourners each evening, and at this writing 92 have been saved with about 20 more seeking. Mrs. Johnson has proven herself to be a sincere christian lady and a great power in evangelistic work. She will preach Sunday morning at the A. M. E. church and Sunday evening at the Y. M. C. Auditorium so all may have an opportunity to hear her closing sermon in this city.

COLORED EVANGELIST AT Y. M. C. A. AUDITORIUM.

Rev. Mattie Johnson of Chicago, Ill., who has been conducting a very successful revival meeting at the A. M. E. church for the past two weeks, will close the meeting next Sunday evening at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium; as the church will not hold the people. Every Sunday numbers are turned away, therefore those who wish to hear her should come early. Below we give the list of ushers at the Y. M. C. A.:

C. B. Woods, J. L. Thompson, Harry Crayens, W. H. Humbard, Fred Stanton, Gus Watkins, Rollin Weeks, M. B. Jackson, Wm. Carlson, J. Clifford Williams, Ed. Weeks and J. Frank Blagburn.

WEDDING.

Married March 18, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Lewis, on Thirteenth and School, Mrs. Anna B. Bell of Phoenix, Arizona, and Mr. David Barner of Grimes, Iowa. There were only a few intimate friends and relatives present. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Francis J. Peterson of the A. M. E. church.

The bride was attired in a tan broad cloth suit, while the groom wore a conventional black. A elegant supper was served. The bride is well known in our city, as she has spent the most of her life here, having only moved to Phoenix a few years ago with her husband, Mr. Miles Bell for his health, but died in Phoenix about two years. The groom is also well known here as one of our industrious farmers near Grimes. The Bystander with their many friends extend congratulations.

We have saved many doctor bills since we began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home. We keep a bottle open all the time and whenever any of my family or myself begin to catch cold we begin to use the Cough Remedy, and as a result we never have to send away for a doctor and incur a large doctor bill, for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never fails to cure. It is certainly a medicine of great merit and worth. J. E. MEARLES, General Merchant and Farmer, Mattie, Bluffton, Pa. For sale by all Druggists.

IMPORTANCE OF THE 12th CENSUS TO THE RACE.

No class of the great population of the United States has a keener interest in the census than the nine million Afro-Americans. By the warm friends of the race it is believed that, if only a correct census were had, favorable conditions and steady, hopeful progress would be shown, by which their arguments would be proved and those of their traducers answered.

Only once in ten years this opportunity comes to place themselves upon record, an opportunity to great to be lost by ignorance or indifference or unwarranted fear. Every Afro-American leader who has the interest of his race at heart will enter upon earnest and persistent efforts to teach them the scope and purpose of the coming census. He will explain that to be counted by the Federal Government is a right which cannot be taken away by any local or State government. All the facts reported are guarded by officials sworn to reveal no detail but simply to tabulate general results, the confidence of the individual being held sacred and inviolate. His replies to the enumerators can not be made the basis of taxation or in any way be used to his harm.

The questions asked of colored and white citizens are exactly the same. The main features are inquiries about name, age, relationship, occupation, birthplace, ability to read and whether the home is owned or rented.

Questions concerning the occupation are of special importance. Colored persons engaged in agriculture should be prepared to report for the year 1899. Then when the enumerators come asking the quantity, variety, and value of the crops of that year, they will be ready. The thrifty housewife should reckon the proceeds of her dairy and poultry yard. The same duty rests upon those engaged in any sort of manufacture. Without fear they may impart all the details of their business to that sworn official of the General Government who comes to them for information.

"Nothing succeeds like success." Every success of the Negro proved by Federal census facts will give him a great impetus in his forward march. In the census he is a witness in his own behalf before a court which will render a verdict without fear or favor upon his own unquestioned testimony. If he loses this opportunity the loss will rest at his own door. The Census Office will treat him as it does every other American citizen.

Editor of the Iowa State Bystander—I saw in your paper of a few weeks ago an article, pertaining to Negro candidates for county office. The article, though brief, is of momentous importance to the Negro voters of this state and county, particularly as Iowa leads in many things, both local and national. In pro ratio of Negro office holders, according to its population, they are entitled to representation, as they are a part and parcel of this commonwealth and help pay her taxes. The gentlemen mentioned in the article of two weeks ago are presumable well qualified for the position, and one could not find two men more deserving of consideration at the hands of the republican party.

Yours Truly,
W. R. FRAIZER.

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by all Druggists.

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Countess Miranda de Canavarro, the California convert to Buddhism, has left the San Gamita convent in Ceylon and appealed to her American friends to return home.

The Right Rev. Louis de Goesbriand, bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Vermont, during his life possessed large wealth, but avowed it his wish to give it away and die a poor man. He left only \$12.

AUSTIN BOY A PARRICIDE.

Edward Finch, Aged 15, Shoots His Father Dead.

DONE IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER.

Family Has Many Quarrels—Dead Man Had Menaced Her with a Knife and Was Under Peace Bonds for Assaulting His Wife.

Chicago, March 22.—George Finch of Austin was shot and instantly killed Monday evening in his home by his 15-year-old son, Edward. The lad was protecting his mother from her enraged husband when he fired the fatal shot. After the deed the young parricide ran from the house, but he was later captured in the home of a neighbor by the Austin police.

Finch was a laborer and lived with his wife and two children—Edward and his sister, 12 years old—in an abandoned depot of the Wisconsin Central railroad at Central avenue. He frequently quarreled with his wife, and had been arrested on a number of occasions charged with assaulting her. Only recently Finch was placed under peace bonds by Justice La Mena and threatened with a heavy fine if the complaint was again made against him.

Last evening he went home in a quarrelsome mood. He complained of the supper and sent his children to bed when the boy objected to his actions. He then began upbraiding his wife, and when she remonstrated with him, it is asserted that he seized a butcher knife and declared that he intended taking her life. He advanced toward her in a threatening manner, but had only taken a step or two when a shot rang out and Finch fell to the floor. He died almost instantly. The bullet had entered the man's breast and pierced his heart.

Standing in the doorway between the two rooms was Edward with a smoking revolver in his hand. After being ordered from the room by the father the boy secured a revolver and stood near the door so that he could hear the conversation between his parents and be ready to assist his mother should his father attack her. He opened the door just as his father picked up the butcher knife. Mrs. Finch was too frightened to move and she could only beg for mercy when her husband started toward her. She did not see her son and did not know of his presence until he had fired the shot that ended his father's life.

Frick and Carnegie Compromise. Atlantic City, N. J., March 22.—The difficulties between H. C. Frick and Andrew Carnegie have been settled, it is said. In Andrew Carnegie's party at the Hotel Broughton are William Bertram of New York, Henry Phillips, Lawrence C. Phipps, F. F. F. Lovejoy, D. M. Clemens, Charles M. Schwab, president of the Carnegie Steel company, and A. M. Moreland of Pittsburgh. It is reported that Mr. Frick will arrive here tomorrow morning and that he will have a conference with Mr. Carnegie.

To Establish Cuban Treasury. Havana, March 22.—An order is in preparation establishing an island treasury. This will take large reserve funds from the North American Trust company, which is the fiscal agent of the government. This step is not taken because of any lack of confidence in the trust company, but in order to enable Cuba to stand on her own feet as quickly as possible.

Pana May Have Another Strike. Pana, Ill., March 22.—Another strike is threatened in this city at the coal mines. The scale of 40 cents per ton will expire the last of this month. At the Springfield convention a few weeks ago the scale for this district was set at 49 cents per ton. It is said that both the Penwell and Pana Coal Mining companies have stated that they would shut down the mines the first of April.

Domestic Trouble Causes Suicide. Coldwater, Mich., March 22.—John Snooks returned from California Monday night, went direct to his home and took a dose of laudanum, dying Tuesday afternoon. Domestic trouble is the cause assigned.

Dewey Ill at Savannah. Savannah, Ga., March 22.—Admiral Dewey was taken ill while returning Tuesday evening from a water trip down the river, and, owing to his indisposition, the public reception to him and Mrs. Dewey was postponed.

Wheeler May Come to Chicago. Washington, March 22.—The president and the war department have under consideration the question of assigning Brig.-Gen. Joseph Wheeler to the command of the Department of Lakes.

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NEWTON NOTES. Miss Lettie Miller has been a victim of rheumatism; but is improving. Rev. Basfield made his usual trip to Colfax last Sunday. Mr. Jesse Walden was indisposed last week. Mrs. Rasfield gave a taffy-pulling at the parsonage last Monday evening to the members of the Sunday School; about forty were present and the evening was an enjoyable and long to be remembered. Miss Bertha Green is on the sick list. An excellent program is being prepared for Easter. Mr. Fred Green is still improving. Miss Mary Wright will return to her home in Chariton, Saturday, after spending three months with her cousins, the Misses Green. EVANS NEWS. Rev. Reeves preached at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and Rev. W. H. Clark preached at night. Rev. Tate left last week for Davenport. The Queen of Iowa Tabernacle met at Mrs. Duke's Friday afternoon. Miss Minnie Alexander left for Ottumwa Friday morning. Quite a number of young people attended the ball in Oskaloosa, Tuesday. Mr. J. Marshall of Oskaloosa was a Sunday visitor here also Mr. Reasby of Muchakinock. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. White. Most of our young men attended the young men's convention in Fishville, Sunday. Hurrah for the blooming boys of our town. AFTERTHOUGHTS. Many a man wouldn't be nearly so lucky if he depended on luck. One's admiration for oneself is largely due to the limitations of mirrors. It is when we become rich or famous that we find out where are the friends of our youth. Don't abuse the world because it abuses you, because the percentage is always against you. The shrewd man does not openly condemn another for being an ass; nor does he cry him down; nor yet shun him; for he knows that the ass, though a little slow of movement and comprehension, is a very convenient beast of burden, and, remembering work of his own that should be done, he profits by his knowledge. AFRICA IN THE NEXT CENTURY Dark Continent is Undergoing a Wonderful Transformation. From the Forum: The twentieth century Africa promises startling contrasts when compared with the Africa of the nineteenth century. With an area four times as great as that of the United States, a population of 150,000,000, a soil and climate capable of infinite variety of production, a rapidly expanding commerce, and the greatest known supplies of ivory, gold and diamonds, its development under the modern methods which are now being applied to it is practically assured. The home of the oldest civilization, it is the last of the continents to yield to the touch of the newest civilization. But yesterday enveloped in darkness of mystery without and ignorance within, it is today illuminated by the searchlight of modern methods, and as its importance and attractions are being recognized, with this recognition must come development. With 2,000,000 Europeans scattered over its vast area, acquainting themselves with its natural conditions and requirements, with the steamer, the railroad, the telegraph and the telephone carrying light and knowledge and civilization to its darkest corner, Africa cannot long remain unknown or unknowing. It was only after the explorers—Livingstone, Speke, Stanley and others—had discovered, through persistent and heroic efforts, that there existed vast navigable water ways above the falls near the mouths of the great streams which flow from the interior that European nations awoke to the physical and commercial possibilities of Africa, and then, in a twinkling, the dark continent was seized upon and divided up and became, as by magic, a vast European "hinterland." Between 1884 and 1898 an area two and a half times the size of the United States, and containing a population of 100,000,000, was parceled out by an agreement of the European powers. At present scarcely a foot of African territory remains unclaimed.

Cleveland the Stamping Ground of Most Extensive Strike of the Age.

CLEVELAND, O., MARCH 23.—In accordance with the decision reached at the meeting which was held last night and which lasted practically throughout the night, the machinists employed

in more than fifty establishments and down their tools yesterday. It is stated that about 2,000 men are out, including union and non-union men. Should the strike continue a few days several thousand additional men in

other trades dependent upon machinery will become idle. The strikers declare they will remain out until their demand for a nine hour day with ten hour pay is granted by the employers. President O'Connell said that now it looked as though Cleveland would be the stamping ground of one of the biggest strikes ever inaugurated in the United States.

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ny to enjoy a treat, those on the borders of Natal are beginning to show activity. A special dispatch from Durban says the town of Pomeroy, thirty miles east of Ladysmith, was burned by the Boers. A British detachment arriving at Pomeroy as the Boers evacuated the place shelled the burghers, but they succeeded in taking up a strong position in the hills, where their force is estimated at five thousand men.

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Representative Temple, of Clarke county, in an address before the Grant club at its regular monthly meeting, declared that imperialism is here and is here to stay. He advised his republican friends to frankly make this avowal in the coming campaign.

Secretary Ward, of the Commercial Exchange, is in receipt of a letter from Congressman Hull, in which the latter assures the secretary the Des Moines army post bill will pass the senate without any material objection. Mr. Hull will look after the Washington end of the matter, and the committee on location, of which D. B. Lyons is chairman, are diligently looking for a suitable locality. A number of places are in view, but no definite announcement is made. The chairman of the committee has in mind three very de-

urable tracts of land accessible to the city, any of which can be secured at reasonable figures. It is thought a contract will be closed within the next few months with one of the owners, so that the matter of location will be settled.

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Temple's appellate court bill, which has passed the house, provides for an appellate court of three members to have exclusive jurisdiction in all civil cases where the amount in controversy does not exceed \$3,000, except in cases where real estate title is involved or the constitutionality of a statute, the validity of an act of a municipal corporation, the construction or validity of a law, divorce suits or proceedings where no money judgment is demanded.

A pardon has been issued by Gov-

ernor Shaw for Ollie Blair, who is at present serving an eight-year sentence for breaking and entering a railroad car. He was sentenced in 1896 by Judge Holmes, of Polk county, and was given the limit on account of previous bad behavior. The pardon given him is good only during good behavior and the pursuance of a proper path in his future life.

The Cheshire bill for the taxation of express companies upon the mileage

unit plan now in force in Ohio and Indiana, passed the senate with but a single opposing vote, although a number of senators filed explanation of their votes, saying they did not approve of the principle of the bill or the method of taxation proposed, but they

voted for it because it was absolutely necessary to devise some system of taxing express companies, inasmuch as the present law is inoperative and inadequate. All amendments proposed on the floor were voted down. Senator Lewis sought to amend the bill so that mortgages or bonds of express companies should not be considered in estimating their value for taxation.

His position was that the bill proposed to tax not only the stocks and bonds but the property which the stocks and bonds represented, and was therefore double taxation. Senators Cheshire and Junkin opposed this amendment on the ground that the companies

on the ground that the companies would escape taxation by covering their property with mortgages, thus depreciating the value of the stock. Senator Ball moved an amendment to require that the intangible part of the companies' valuation in the state

should be considered the same proportion of the entire intangible value that the tangible value in the state was to the tangible value outside the state. Both these amendments were rejected almost unanimously.

The ways and means committee of the senate has introduced a bill making it unlawful to solicit political campaign funds from employees of the state board of control, the same as it is now contrary to law for such employees to pay anything in this way. The bill is in line with recommendations of the state board of control.

State Supt. R. C. Barrett has submitted a brief report to the senate pertaining to free libraries in the schools of the state and the question of disseminating good literature among the school children of Iowa. His report is in answer to a request for such made by the last legislature. He states that his recommendation on this subject was made in his recent his-

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The Ingram failure is rapidly being settled in court, the Mt. Airy stock

having been disposed of, the proceeds of the stock sale being ordered paid over to the stockholders, and the receiver, Geo. D. McClain, of Des Moines, ordered discharged, his report being approved. The net proceeds of the Mt. Airy sale, amounting to \$17,058.17, will be distributed among the numerous creditors, after deducting \$1,519.00 allowed for receiver's and attorneys' fees. McClain has approved Receiver McClain's report, and this settles the matter, it is said, as far as the Ingram store and stock at Mt. Airy are concerned. The litigation over the Shannon City and Allendale stores is not yet ended, but will come up at a later date.

Food for thought is not suited for the stomach.

Warship for China.
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Secretary Long has cabled instructions to Admiral Watson, at Cavite, to send a warship to Taku, China, at the mouth of the Tiehho river, to look after American missionary interests that are threatened.

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Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

By Edward W. Hopkins.

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CHAPTER V.—(Continued.)

As Rob, dressed in his picturesque Spanish costume, stood on the deck, he thought he had never seen so many villainous-looking men. They would make the large flat boats to the schooner's side, make them fast and jump aboard. Then the black boatmen and the crew of the "Black Cat" would be busy for a time in transferring from the hold of the schooner to the boats the packages and cases and casks of the contraband cargo. Captain Torvevo was here, there and everywhere, giving loud commands in a language that Rob did not understand, and which would scarcely be understood by any one whose tongue was limited to the precise language of any one country.

Captain Torvevo passed Rob several times without paying him any attention. What was Rob's great surprise, then, when the captain of the "Black Cat" suddenly turned on him with a frightful oath and struck him with a rope's end.

"Will you do nothing?" roared Captain Torvevo, in what appeared a most frightful rage. "Will you stand there, and me trying to get unloaded? Get to work there, or I'll kick you into the water!"

Rob was thunderstruck and terribly frightened.

"I'll do anything!" he cried. "Don't strike me! Tell me what you want me to do!"

"Get into that boat. Do your share of the work! Help carry the stuff to the cave!"

As Rob, without trying to soften the terrific wrath of his seemingly cruel master, turned to obey, he saw, standing on the shore, a large, black horse. Upon this horse was seated a man of apparently fifty-five years of age. This

man's face that he seemed to make the others gentle by comparison.

"Hurry up, there!" he shouted in English, flourishing his whip. "We are being watched every day now. There may be soldiers here any minute. Get the stuff ashore in a hurry."

The men strained harder, and soon the flat nose of the boat was shoved up on the sand. The men leaped out, each one giving a quick look at the master, as if expecting every moment a cut with the heavy whip.

"Hey, Torvevo, who is this?" he shouted, pointing to Rob.

"That fool of a nephew of mine," shouted back the captain of the "Black Cat." "He is no good, but he would make a trip with me. Whip him, if he is lazy."

Rob remembered what Torvevo had said about his appearance as the nephew of the captain of "El Gato Negro," and wondered if he, as Rob Cleverdale, had any more to fear than he was getting as Torvevo's nephew. It seemed to be the object of Torvevo to make him out as stupid and worthless as possible, and to give the Englishman the impression that he hated his nephew.

The men on the boat now began to pick up their burdens, and poor Rob, not one-fifth as strong as one of these fellows, did the same. He unfortunately picked up a package that was too heavy for him, and staggered with it right before the tall, stanic individual, whom all so palpably feared.

In an instant there was a swish, and the Englishman's whip came down on Rob's shoulders.

"Get on with you!" he said. "If you can't do better than that, what good are you?"

Rob, not knowing but an answer would bring him another blow, shut

his eyes and did not doubt that the crew of the "Black Cat" were pirates as well as smugglers.

CHAPTER VI.

He felt a thrill of apprehension as he saw the black shadows cast by the blazing torches and heard the grumbling tones of the moving men in that gloomy place. Oh! What hiding places there were among these piles of bales or in those black recesses of rock, where he could hear the constant trickling of water from above!

Shivering, he went the whole length of the place, deposited his burden, and followed the line of spectres out again.

What glad sigh of relief escaped him as he breathed once more the fresh air outside. But there was no time to stop to enjoy it. The procession moved on, and Rob, with trembling limbs and perspiring brow, went back for another load. The boats had brought some casks from the schooner by this time, and these were to be taken into the cave.

It was hard work, and when Rob saw Torvevo standing on shore by the side of the Englishman, his heart gave a bound of fear. What was the mystery of the hatred felt by these men toward himself? He could not understand it. But it seemed certain that they were bent on his destruction; or, perhaps, he was to be henceforth a slave. Perhaps all these dark fellows were slaves. Rob did not know whether there were any slaves in South America now, but these men were slaves in reality, even if they were not such in name. And what would be his own fate?

Again he fell to work with the others, but could not resist sending a look of appeal into the eyes of Torvevo. The captain of the "Black Cat" saw this, and saw also that at the same time the tall Englishman was looking at the boy.

"Curse you!" shouted Torvevo. "I will kill you yet!"

He struck him fiercely, and poor Rob, feeling now certain that the friendship Torvevo had shown on board the schooner was assumed, fell to work with a heart that was like a lump of lead in his bosom.

He helped roll a heavy keg to the opening, and was almost run down by it as it sped downward from the top of the ridge. A great, ugly fellow, half Indian and half negro, caught him in a powerful grasp and swung him out of the way to safety.

"Oh, thank you!" gasped poor Rob. "Uh! No thank!" said the black fellow, with a hideous grin. "Me no want to see kill. Capitang Elvin him kill soon 'nuff."

"Capitang Elvin! Is that the man's name?"

"Ho! Yes. Him Capitang Elvin. Him great man. Him chief all de gangs. Him kill you."

"Why does he want to kill me?" asked Rob.

"Um! Me not know. Look out, dat all."

Again Rob went into the dark caverns, doing his best toward his share of the work. But it was an astonishing fact that as soon as they were out of sight over the ridge, no one cared whether he did any work or not. In fact, in the work of placing the casks, barrels and kegs, he was decidedly in the way of the experienced men, and they shoved him aside.

While doing nothing he looked around the caverns, but was sure to follow the men of his gang out when they returned for another load.

Four or five trips he made into the caverns in this way, winning nothing but blows and kicks and curses from Torvevo, no matter how hard he worked.

(To be continued.)

Evening the Honors Up.

It was at President Hadley's reception that the following bit of conversation was overheard: Dr. Dwight, turning to a prominent young alumnus of Yale, after greeting him with "Hello, classmate," said something about his own very recent return from the country, adding afterward: "By the way, I owe one of the New Haven newspapers a grudge. It printed an item about me some time ago to this effect: 'Ex-President Theodore Dwight has just returned from his summer home at Norfolk.' Now, my name is Timothy, and my summer home is at Litchfield." "Well, that is one of the things, at all events that can be very easily rectified, doctor," said the alumnus pleasantly. "Yes," replied the doctor, with a droll smile, "they might say, and I think it would be satisfactory to me, that 'Prof. Alfred Hadley has just been elected president of an institution at Waterbury.'"—New Haven Register.

A Quaker Wedding.

The Elk City (Kan.) Enterprise describes a Quaker wedding which took place in that city the other day. The bride couple came into the meeting-house and took their seats all alone on the rostrum, while 200 people sat silently on the benches. After a long wait, during which not a sound was uttered, the groom arose and taking the bride by the hand, said: "Friends, in the presence of God and before this assembly I take Mariette Stevens to be my wife, promising with divine assistance to be unto her a faithful husband until death shall separate us." Then the bride in like manner promised to be to him a loving and faithful wife, and the ceremony was over.

Not the First Time.

Mrs. Gillian—Now, Mrs. Wyckoff, we really must say good-by. Dear, while you put your overcoat on, I want to tell Mrs. Wyckoff a secret. Mr. Gillian—All right, I'll just go and get my hair cut and meet you at the corner.

HIS BLUE-EYED PATIENT.

It was near the close of a cool September day, and the shadows had fallen so heavily over the long wards of a hospital that the neat white coats looked all alike; but upon closer inspection one could see that the patient sufferers were differently occupied. Some slept, while others thought of the time when they would be once more permitted to walk God's beautiful earth.

Among the cots there was one that was empty—it was No. 16. Its last occupant had been discharged that morning, and it was now waiting to be utilized again. Presently a noise was heard at the end of the long hall, and some one is being wheeled in. No. 16 has a new occupant. Weak and pale upon her pillow lay a sufferer, young and fair, while on her snowy forehead clustered soft curls of golden hair.

No. 16 was wholly unconscious of the pretty picture she made. She lay there softly moaning; a cruel wheel had crushed her, and she had been brought bleeding and suffering to that great home for sufferers, the hospital. Tenderly the doctor dressed the wounds and gravely watched her first signs of returning consciousness. He was rewarded; the long lashes moved and a beautiful pair of blue eyes looked up at him. They seemed to look into his soul. Never before had grave Dr. Edgar Canton been so thoroughly moved.

He walked to the head of the bed and softly asked if she wanted anything. "Where am I? O, where am I? Why can't I move? I'm so tired!" The beautiful eyes closed again, and she had again lost consciousness. Week after week that terrible fever seemed to tear the life from the young sufferer. Day after day Dr. Canton came and watched his patient, and listened pityingly to her ravings.

It was there he learned the story of her life—how the dear mother had died and left an orphan, this beautiful girl; it was there he learned that, after months of fruitless searching, she had at last found employment as book-keeper for a downtown firm.

He listened while that poor muddled mind added column after column of imaginary figures; but one night she fell into a deep, peaceful, dreamless sleep. Morning came and with it new life for Millicent. Slowly she began to improve; she noticed the



surroundings, her fellow sufferers, the white capped nurses, and the doctors.

For each and every one she had the same wan little smile; but there was one whose coming seemed to be the only sunbeam of her life. How eagerly she watched for his coming, and how those blue eyes lit up as she saw his handsome, grave face! Every day he came to her and spoke kind words. She wondered how it would all end. Ah! too well she knew that in a few weeks she would again begin the wearisome life of the past. He would forget her, but through all her sufferings she knew she could never forget him. She could never forget those dark eyes as they looked tenderly into hers—yes, in all the years to come there would be one bright spot she could remember.

One morning she watched for his coming in vain. A new doctor came in his place, and, although Millicent would have rather died than confess it, two great tears rolled down her cheek. One of the nurses came to her and placed a large bouquet in her thin hands. "They are for you," she said. "Shall I put them in water?" Millicent gazed thoughtfully at them and wondered where they came from. Suddenly a tiny piece of paper caught her eye. It was a note addressed to her. Her trembling fingers could scarcely unfold it. Involuntarily her eyes went down the page to where the name was written in a bold, plain hand, "Edgar Canton."

Softly she read the following lines: "Dear Little Friend—I am called away to a distant city, but cannot go without bidding you good-by. I cannot come to you, as I start at midnight and by morning will be many miles from here. When I return you will be almost well again. Dear little girl, I will have something to tell you when I get back, try and see if you can guess what it is. I shall be home the last day of the old year. Until then I am yours, EDGAR CANTON."

How happy she was, and how she longed for his return; she dared not think of what he had to tell her. Those days passed quickly, and one morning she was surprised when the doctor told her that in a week she would be able to leave the hospital. The week passed, the day of her departure came. It was Dec. 24, the day before Christmas; she knew that she would be unable to see Edgar Canton and her heart was heavy. Where was she to go, she had only a few dollars and no work. Over and over again she tried to think: Yes,

she had better go to her old lodgings, the landlady was kind and she could pay her board for a few weeks at least and then perhaps get employment.

It was New Year's eve; Millicent sat with her head on her arm thinking of Dr. Canton. She knew that he had probably returned, and she wondered if she should ever see him again. Just then some one knocked at the door of the room. Thinking it was Mrs. Blake, the landlady, with her tea, she simply said, "Come in," without even lifting her head.

No tea tray was put on the table, and Millicent, hearing no one, looked up. Two strong arms encircled her, and with one glad cry, she recognized Edgar Canton.

"Darling little Millicent, you have guessed what I have to tell you. It is that on the first day of the new year I want to make the sweetest little girl in all the world my wife. Will you make me happy by consenting to become Mrs. Canton to-morrow?"

Tears of joy glistened on the long lashes and she softly whispered: "Is it because you pity me, Edgar?" "It is because a certain little blue-eyed girl has captivated my heart, and it is for her to decide whether my life will be worth the living. Look at me, Millicent, darling; yes, I am sure that I can see love written in those blue eyes in great big letters." Slowly the golden head sank on that broad shoulder and the happy bells pealed forth the coming of a happy life for these two.—Boston Post.

GOT CATS INSTEAD OF BLANKET

Penalty Paid by a Southern Planter for His Illegible Chirography.

"If you ever get down to old Colonel —'s," said an enthusiastic New Orleans sportsman, naming a veteran planter of the lower coast, "you will find the grounds overrun with big black cats, now partly wild. How they came there is quite a curious story. You see, there is some tip-top hunting in that neighborhood, and some years ago, at just about this season, the old man invited down a party of northern gentlemen to take a crack at the ducks. They were heavy swells he had met in New York, who were here for the carnival, and he was anxious that they should have a royal time. The best place for ducks was some distance from the house, so it was arranged that the whole crowd should camp out for a few days near the shooting grounds, and in getting things together for the trip the colonel discovered he was short on bed clothing. Accordingly he rushed a ducky over to the station with a letter to his merchant in New Orleans asking him to buy twelve large blankets, and send them out by first express. Now, the colonel's handwriting resembles the tracks of an inebriated turkey and his orthography is equally eccentric. He spelled the word blankets 'blancats,' and after puzzling over the hieroglyph for an hour, the merchant concluded it stood for black cats. He was astonished, of course, but knowing that there was a jovial gang at the plantation he decided some practical joke must be afoot and hurried out the clerk to buy all the large black cats he could find in the neighborhood. They had some trouble getting the dozen together, and the black cat market rose about 500 points before they succeeded, but eventually the consignment was safely boxed and sent away. Next morning the colonel and his guests eagerly awaited the arrival of the wagon from the station, before starting out and when it appeared in the distance were surprised to hear a faint sound of yowling, rapidly growing larger as it approached. A huge slatted crate filled one end of the bed and inside were twelve large black cats engaged in a free fight. When the top was pried off the ebony monsters leaped out in all directions, and they say the colonel's remarks ran up to the temperature of the lower coast 15 degrees Fahrenheit. That's where the stock came from that is now on the plantation. There must be two or three hundred of the beasts by this time."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

DIRT PASSES FOR BUTTER.

In Many Places of This Globe Where Primitive People Dwell.

Eating earth is practiced all over the world to a certain extent, and is not confined to the clay-eating Indians of the far west. In some parts of the mountains of Germany the natives eat a certain kind of clay spread on their bread, calling it "stein butter," stone butter. In upper Italy and Sardinia a kind of clay is offered in the markets for sale as food. In Northern Sweden and the peninsula of Kola a kind of earth called bergmerl, mountain flour, is baked with the bread. In Persia, too, large quantities of clay are eaten. The natives of Africa are great clay-eaters, especially the Botocudos of the Orinoco river. In Nubia a certain-kind of earth is eaten as a medicine, and on the island of Timor the eating of earth is connected with the religious ceremonies. The cause of this widespread custom, according to Doctor Lasch, a German scientist who has just been investigating the matter, is that the clay contains a certain amount of salt, which tastes good to these primitive people. The consequence of habitual earth-eating is a great distention of the stomach, an increase in the leanness of the eaters, and distention of the liver. When a child of civilized parents shows a disposition to eat earth or slate pencils, as is often the case, there is a physical cause for it, and the case should be brought to the attention of the family physician.

Open Space in London

London enjoys a greater area of open space than any other capital in the world.

Mrs. Banks—Do you have any trouble in getting servants? Mrs. Rivers—No; I've had five in the last two weeks.

Wireless Telegraphy

Has had a new demonstration of usefulness by the captain of a lightship, who used it after ordinary signals had failed, to notify the shore authorities of danger. In a like manner Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the famous indigestion and dyspepsia cure, acts where other medicines fail. It regulates the bowels and improves the appetite.

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ICE HILL PARTIES.

Variation from the ordinary form of "ice hill" is to be found in the Russian "ice hills." The rigors of winter in northern Europe practically compel the inhabitants of that region to find some form of amusement with which to while away the dreary hours of those ice-bound months. Hence, "ice hill parties" are now a national institution throughout the czar's dominions, and cheerful functions they are, too. The "ice hill" itself is prepared as follows: they erect a high wooden scaffolding, giving a rather steep slope from the top to the ground, and it is then covered with huge symmetrically shaped blocks of ice placed side by side and constantly watered until they become a solid smooth mass. This artificial slide is terminated by a long, narrow lane of ice, just broad enough to allow three sledges passing each other and of sufficient length to enable a sleigh to run by its own impetus to the foot of the next hill. The hills and runs are usually bordered by fir trees, which are thickly hung with colored lights at night. On the day of the party the guests are conveyed to their host's house in special sleighs, and there supplied with rugs, furs and warm drinks, to better to fortify them against the intense cold. They then proceed to the ice hills and seat themselves by two in the long, narrow iron sleds, which are rendered exceedingly comfortable by reason of the quantity of cushions spread over them. Arriving at the end of the descent each man chooses a different partner for the return run, and then is the competition among the men, each of them striving to secure the belle of the party as his companion. A good dinner is always provided by the host, and the post-prandial sport of artificial light is often the most picturesque portion of the whole entertainment.

MRS. ADAIR'S APPEAL.

Mrs. Cornelia Adair, who is now in his country in the interests of the hospital ship Maine, which it may be remembered was provided by American omen in England for the nursing of ounded British soldiers in the Boer ar, is herself an American, being a daughter of the late Gen. Wadsworth, Genesee, N. Y., who fell at the battle of the Wilderness. The idea of fitting a hospital ship originated with a Mrs. Blow, an American, and she, with aid Randolph Churchill, formed a committee of American women in London to carry it out. The sum of \$5,000 was raised in a short time. At its juncture B. N. Baker, of Baltimore, d., president of the Atlantic Transport company, offered the steamship Maine and its crew to the committee, to be used as a hospital ship as long as it was lasted. This gift represented an outlay of between \$15,000 and \$20,000 a month. To equip the vessel the committee expended \$125,000, and as it costs some \$15,000 a month to keep the ship in service, Mrs. Adair, who in the presence of Lady Randolph Churchill, the head of the committee, comes to interest Americans in the work. Mrs. Adair is well known in the fashionable society of New York and Newport. Her first husband was a Mr. Itchell, of Boston. In 1867 she married John Adair, who was one of the great land magnates of Ireland and high sheriff of the County Donegal. He is very wealthy in her own right. Mrs. Adair, in an appeal to the Irish in this country, mentions the fact that she is, when famine was raging in Ireland, her father chartered a ship,



MRS. CORNELIA ADAIR.

led it with corn from his lands at Annesco and sent it across the Atlantic help the starving peasantry.

Disease in the Dutch Navy.
Uncle Sam's sailors in Philippine wars seem to have been particularly fortunate in escaping for the most part the diseases which prey upon sailors of her navies in tropical waters. In a marine service in Holland in 1897 ere were admitted to the hospitals 904 malarial cases in an average length of 50,167. The record for that ar was unusual, the average for the ur preceding years having been only 000. In 1897 cholera caused 161 admissions to the hospitals, with 106 aths among the Europeans.

Unexplored Regions of the Earth.
Throughout the entire world there are about 20,000,000 square miles of unexplored territory. In Africa there are 60,000 square miles; Arctic regions, 60,000; Antarctic regions, 50,000; America, 2,000,000; Australia, 2,000,000; Asia, 20,000,000, and various islands, 1,000,000.

FOUR HELD FOR CONSPIRACY.

Grand Jury Indicts on Conspiracy and "Damage Suits."
Chicago, March 22.—The grand jury has indicted the following, who are accused of conspiracy to defraud the city of Chicago by the institution of fraudulent suits for damages: Dr. M. L. Ostrowski, Anton Grabowski, Ignatz Der, Mrs. Anna Svehla, alias Peterson, alias Pietru. The evidence was furnished by City Attorney Andrew J. Ryan, John Gollk and Mrs. Agnes Gollk, mother and father of Ludwig Gollk, a boy 9 years old, in whose behalf the suit for \$25,000 damages for alleged injuries was filed in 1898. It was brought in the name of Agnes Gollk, mother of the boy, as his "next friend." Mrs. Gollk told the jury that she knew nothing about the case until months after it had been filed. It was alleged that the boy had fallen through a sidewalk on Dec. 22, 1897, and had sustained injuries to his spine and head which destroyed his power of speech. Mrs. Svehla conducted a boarding-house at 666 West Fifteenth street, where seventeen other members of the "syndicate" organized, it is alleged, to defraud the city and large corporations by fraudulent damage suits aggregating \$200,000, also lived in this house.

GOLDEN FEARS ASSASSINATION

Main Witness in the Goebel Case Is Guarded by Detectives.
Lexington, Ky., March 22.—Serg. F. Wharton Golden, who has turned state's evidence in betraying the plot to kill William Goebel, is kept in seclusion at the home of a friend in the northern part of the city. Golden is haggard and worn. He fears assassination, and detectives will keep guard over the house in which he is staying until he leaves.

Wisconsin's New G. A. R. Commander.
Madison, Wis., March 22.—The death of Gen. Harnden, commander department of Wisconsin G. A. R., advances to that office Samuel H. Tallmadge of Milwaukee, a native of Chicago. Mr. Tallmadge is 60 years of age, and is a son of Mrs. Charlotte E. Mitchell, one of Chicago's pioneer residents, now nearly 80 years old. Commander Tallmadge has long been prominent in G. A. R. circles of Milwaukee and Wisconsin. He has been commander of Wolcott post of Milwaukee and was assistant adjutant general of the state for several years.

Rockefellers Carry Town Election.
Tarrytown, N. J., March 22.—After one of the bitterest fights waged in the political history of Tarrytown, the Rockefellers Tuesday gained a complete and decisive victory over their opponents, who insisted upon the high assessment. One of the campaign stories was that John D. Rockefeller would spend \$50,000 improving his estate if the laboring class would support his ticket.

Archbishop Keane to Raise \$1,000,000.
St. Louis, Mo., March 22.—Archbishop J. J. Keane, former rector and one of the founders of the Catholic university at Washington, D. C., is in St. Louis, where he came to lecture on the subject of the university. The archbishop's mission is to raise \$1,000,000 during the holy year and in 1901 for the endowment of professorships in the university.

White Is in Cape Town.
Grand Rapids, Mich., March 21.—A letter has been received from Cape Town, South Africa, written by General William L. White, the indicted quartermaster general of the Michigan National Guard. Gen. White left this city last December.

Sibley Has La Grippe.
Franklin, Pa., March 21.—Congressman Joseph Sibley is confined to his bed with la grippe. He came home Saturday to spend a few days with his family, and was attacked shortly after his arrival. His condition is not regarded as serious.

Consul Monaghan to Return.
Bremen, March 22.—James C. Monaghan, United States consul at Chemnitz, has resigned, and will return to his home in Rhode Island to engage in business. He expects to be succeeded by his brother, Joseph Monaghan.

Disaster on the Danube.
Budapest, March 21.—Twenty-four peasants were drowned today by the capsizing of a boat in which they were crossing the Danube River from Kalosza to Pays, during a gale.

Sir Edmund Fane Dies.
London, March 21.—Sir Edmund Douglas Veitch Fane, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the court of Copenhagen, is dead in his sixty-third year.

Chicago Board of Trade.
Chicago, March 20.—The following table shows the range of quotations on the board of trade today:

Articles—High. Low. Mar. 20. Mar. 19.				
Wheat—				
May ..	.66%	.66%	.66%	.66%
July ..	.67%	.67	.67%	.67%
Sept. ..	.67%	.67%	.67%	.67%
Corn—				
May ..	.37%	.37%	.37%	.37%
July ..	.37%	.37%	.37%	.37%
Sept. ..	.38%	.38%	.38%	.38%
Oats—				
May ..	.24%	.24	.24	.24
July ..	.23	.22%	.22%	.22%
Pork—				
May ..	11.90	11.32%	11.40	11.43%
July ..	11.35	11.12%	11.15	11.37%
Lard—				
May ..	6.12%	6.02%	6.05	6.13%
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Short Ribs—				
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What the Friends of Mr. Belvel Says.

For the purpose of informing the citizens of Des Moines, Iowa, who H. M. Belvel is, and apprising them of his entire fitness for the position of member of the city council, the following letters are published. While it is true they do not bear upon his candidacy for alderman of the third ward, it is also true that they overwhelmingly prove his honesty and his entire qualification for that or any other position of honor or trust, and he asks a careful perusal of them by the public, and will be entirely satisfied with the verdict at the polls next Monday:

FROM HON. J. W. FREELAND.
Corydon, Wayne county, Iowa, Oct. 30.—W. H. Stackhouse, Esq., Dear Sir: I have known H. M. Belvel of Des Moines for the last 30 years, both as boy and man; he grew up in this county, went to the war from this town, and has been an active worker in the democratic party from that time up. He has received but few rewards for his labor—in fact I know of none, except to be knocked down and dragged out by the great and good Finn.

FROM DR. CHAPMAN.
Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 25, 1893.—W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Iowa.—Sir: I am pleased to say to you that H. M. Belvel of this city is an untiring and zealous worker in the democratic party, and is deserving of recognition by our party leaders. We would urge his appointment as stamp clerk in your department which would be very satisfactory to me and the democracy of this city. Respectfully,
R. U. CHAPMAN,
President U. S. Pension Board.

FROM SENATOR GREEN.
Stone City, Jones county, Iowa, Oct. 19, 1893.—W. H. Stackhouse, Dear Friend: A mutual friend of ours, one whom it was my pleasure to appoint as doorkeeper and as afterwards his second and groom in the Finn battle on the floor of the senate, now knocks at your door for the appointment of stamp clerk under your administration and I would consider it a personal favor if you will give it to the old soldier who is fighting democratic battles. He is no less than the bearer, H. M. Belvel. Please do so if it is at all possible. Yours sincerely,
J. A. GREEN.

FROM HON. T. B. PERRY.
Albia, Ia., Oct. 18, 1893.—To whom it may concern: I am informed that Mr. H. M. Belvel is an applicant for appointment as stamp clerk in the revenue office at Des Moines, and desires my endorsement. I have to say in his behalf that I have been acquainted with him several years and know him to be a steadfast and consistent democrat, and, as I believe, well qualified to discharge the duties of the office to which he aspires. Respectfully,
T. B. PERRY.

FROM HON. THOS. MAXWELL.
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Mallard, Ia., Oct. 25, 1893.—Dear Sir: I have the honor to request the appointment of H. M. Belvel of Des Moines, Ia., as stamp deputy, who is an old army comrade, served the same company (Company F, Third fourth Infantry) with me during the war of the rebellion. Knew him intimately before, during the war and since, and know him to be a true democrat, a good and honorable citizen, zealous in the cause of democracy and competent to fill any position in your gift, and by giving the position to my old friend you will be conferring a lasting obligation on a "died-in-the-wool" democrat, and subscribe himself. Yours very truly,
W. T. KELLEY.

FROM E. W. CURRY.
Leon, Iowa, Oct. 18, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Ia.—Dear Sir: I understand that H. M. Belvel of Des Moines is desirous of being appointed as clerk in your office. I have known Mr. Belvel for many years; he is, in fact, well known to the democrats of this part of the state, and in my opinion it would give great satisfaction to the democrats of this section to have him remembered in the way mentioned. His qualifications are first class. He is honest, and in every way straight, and I believe would give perfect satisfaction. Yours truly,
E. W. CURRY.

FROM SENATOR DODGE.
Burlington, Ia., Oct. 18, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Ia.—Dear Sir: I am informed that Mr. H. M. Belvel of Des Moines is an applicant for the position of stamp clerk in your branch office at Des Moines. I have known Mr. Belvel for some years and consider him an honest and upright man, a sound democrat, a zealous party worker and in every way fit and qualified to fill the position. He is an old soldier and has never flinched in his democratic faith so far as I know. His appointment would be recognizing a deserving democrat. Very truly,
W. W. DODGE.

FROM GEN. S. L. GLASGOW.
Burlington, Ia., Oct. 16, 1893.—My Dear Mr. Stackhouse: I cheerfully recommend to you the appointment of Mr. H. M. Belvel of Des Moines as stamp clerk in the revenue office at that place. I have known him many years and believe him to be reliable and thoroughly trustworthy. In addition, it would give me pleasure personally should he receive the appointment. Very truly yours,
S. L. GLASGOW.

FROM CATO SELLS.
Vinton, Iowa, Oct. 17, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Iowa: Dear Sir—I am informed that H. M. Belvel of Des Moines is a candidate for stamp clerk and I wish to endorse his candidacy and recommend his appointment. Mr. Belvel is a good man and a democrat, a Union soldier and is now doing good work for the party as a newspaper correspondent. Respectfully,
CATO SELLS.

FROM COL. JOSEPH EIBOECK.
Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 20, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Iowa: Dear Sir—You are doubtless aware that H. M. Belvel, an applicant for stamp clerk in the Des Moines office of the internal revenue department, for which position I can heartily recommend him as a deserving, trustworthy, competent and reliable man, who is at the same time eminently competent for the place and one of the solid democrats besides. Very truly yours,
JOSEPH EIBOECK.

FROM CHAS. F. CHASE AND C. A. WALSH.
Atlantic, Ia., Oct. 20, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Ia.—My Dear Sir: Mr. H. M. Belvel of Des Moines is a candidate for the position of stamp clerk under you. I have known Mr. Belvel for several years and know him to be a good, straight democrat, intelligent and reliable in all things. He has certainly earned recognition by his untiring labors as a Des Moines correspondent for many of the democratic papers of the state. Respectfully,
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FROM E. B. EVANS.
Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 18, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Davenport, Iowa: Dear Sir—I take pleasure in endorsing H. M. Belvel of Des Moines, Iowa, for stamp clerk. He is competent, honest and deserving, and his appointment would give entire satisfaction to the democratic party, which he has always and with marked ability supported. I have the honor to be, yours truly,
E. B. EVANS,
Secretary Polk Co. Com.

FROM JUDGE JAS. G. DAY.
Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 24, 1893.—Hon. W. H. Stackhouse, Esq., Davenport, Iowa: Dear Sir—I understand that H. M. Belvel, Esq., of this city, is an applicant for the position of stamp deputy. I take great pleasure in recommending him for the position which he seeks. He has been a very active worker in the ranks of democracy, and by his facile and pungent pen has done much to advance its interests. I hope it may be found practicable to confer upon him the appointment which he seeks. I am very truly yours,
JAMES G. DAY.

FROM HON. DAN FINCH.
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To John Q. Thompson: You are hereby notified that the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 14, block 3, Fairview addition, now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for taxes of 1893 on the 4th day of December, 1894 to J. S. Coskery. That the certificate of purchase thereof has been assigned to and is now owned by B. F. Loose, and that the right of redemption will expire and a treasurer's deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly. Dated the 12th day of March, A. D. 1900.
B. F. LOOSE,
By Ezra D. Marshall, attorney.

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To J. P. Baumgardner: You are hereby notified that the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 11, Ozone Ridge, now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for taxes of 1895, on the 9th day of December, 1896, to George G. Wright; that he assigned the same to D. F. Patton, trustee. That the certificate of purchase thereof has been assigned to and is now owned by B. F. Loose, and that the right of redemption will expire, and a treasurer's deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly. Dated November 23, A. D. 1899.
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To J. R. Sheeley: You are hereby notified that the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot 15, block 4, Foundry addition, now included in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, was sold for taxes of 1893, on the 4th day of December, 1894, to W. G. Hamlin, who assigned same to J. S. Coskery. That the certificate of purchase is now owned by B. F. Loose, and that the right of redemption will expire, and a treasurer's deed for said real estate will be made unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly. Dated this 23d day of November, A. D. 1899.
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Explosives Confined and Unconfined.

There is a widespread misapprehension in regard to the devastating effect of high explosives. When unconfined the effect even of large charges of them upon structures is comparatively slight. At the naval ordnance proving ground, so long ago as 1884, repeated charges of dynamite, varying from five pounds to 100 pounds in weight, were detonated on the face of a vertical target consisting of eleven one-inch wrought-iron plates bolted to a twenty-four oak backing, until 440 pounds of dynamite had been so detonated in contact with it, and yet the target remained practically uninjured, while at Braamfontein the accidental explosion of fifty-five tons of blasting gelatin, which was stored in railway vans, excavated but 30,000 tons of soft earth. Thus at Fort Lee, on the Hudson, but two tons of dynamite placed in a chamber in the rock and tamped brought down 100,000 tons of the rock; at Lamberis, Wales, two tons and a half of gelatin dynamite, similarly placed, threw out 180,000 tons of rock, and at the Talcen Mawr, in Wales, seven tons of gunpowder placed in two chambers in the rock dislodged from 125,000 to 200,000 tons of rock.

The Ages of Men.

A great man does not always attain a ripe old age; in fact, hardly half of the greatest men of modern and ancient times have reached the limit of age set by the Bible. Among statesmen: Mirabeau was 42; Pitt, 47; Caesar, 55; Richelieu, 57; Cromwell, 59; Frederick the Great, 74; Disraeli, 75; Bismarck, 83; Talleyrand, 84. Of great conquerors: Alexander the Great died at 32; Napoleon at 51, Hanibal at 53, Mariborough at 72, Blucher at 76, Wellington at 83, Xenophon at 86, Moltke at 91. The age of the deace of philosophers was: Spinoza, 44; Descartes, 53; Aristotle, 62; Socrates, 68; Linnaeus, 70; Copernicus, 70; Galileo, 78; Kant, 79; Plato, 82; Newton, 84; Humboldt, 89. The longevity of

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MAON CITY, MO.

WESTERN COLLEGE NOTES.

Revival meetings have been closed now, having a success as all students out of Christ have been brought into the fold.

The quarantine which hung over Macon has been raised and the school all reopened.

Misses Daisy Bell and Lucie T. Washington are indisposed.

The Sunday School of the Second Baptist Church will give an entertainment Friday.

Easter is close at hand and is realized by the young ladies.

Miss L. L. Washington went to her home in Liberty, Mo., last week to attend the wedding of her sister.

Miss Etta Null is indisposed.

Mrs. E. L. Scruggs gave her second reception to her musical students last week.

The Athenium of the W. B. C. rendered a very nice program after which refreshments were served.

The Y. W. C. A. rendered a nice program, Sunday.

Born, Sunday March 18, to Dr. and Mrs. Carrions, a girl.

Miss Pearl Saunders returned from her home in Bucklin.

The Athletic Association met last week and elected the following officers: T. B. Anson, Shelbina, Manager, H. E. Johnson, Fayette, Captain of number 1, J. C. Evans, Plattsburg, Captain of team number 2; they mean to defeat every team that they cross bats with this year.

Mr. Chas. B. Johnson, Class 1900, returned from his home in Callos, Thursday.

Mr. R. Chinn, Edgar and Eugene Smith Dr. Carrion, and Dr. Sexton visited the college this week.

Rev. Thompson, pastor of the Second Baptist Church preached an able sermon Sunday.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Quite a number of persons attended the fifth anniversary of the Ladies Industrial Circle last Thursday evening at the A. M. E. Church; each lady present was given a souvenir. A neat program was rendered after which refreshments were served and every one seemed to have a real good time.

Mrs. Ben Hawkins most elegantly entertained the members of the Choir and a few others last Tuesday evening a bountiful repast was served in three courses, much to the delight of the following: Madames Minnie Brown, Flora Roberts, Mattie Wade, Belle Van Camp; Messrs. Geo. Wade, H. Brown, J. Van Camp, Rev. Bass, and R. Boney.

The Easter Chorus will practice each Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Mrs. Raspberry is convalescent.

Through special invitation the A. M. E. Choir rendered some excellent music at the Sunshine Mission Sunday afternoon. Rev. Bass very ably addressed the meeting and received many favorable comments on his remarks.

Mrs. Archie Price is no better at this writing.

The Teacher's meeting will be held Thursday evening with Mrs. Della Marshall. The Sunday School will soon commence rehearsing for Easter.

Mrs. Harry Martin leaves this week for a visit to her parents at Bedford, Iowa.

Mrs. Forester is quite ill at her home on Oak Hill.

We learned from good authority that there will be a quite wedding on Ninth Avenue this week.

The parties who placed the Dynamite on the steps of St. Paul's Church, white, about a couple of weeks ago, have been captured and put under arrest; they were several Bohemian men.

OTTUMWA.

A pleasing event in colored society was the celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Smith's twentieth wedding anniversary which occurred last evening at their home on Center Avenue; there was a number of Ottumwa's foremost white families represented and the affair was a success in every way. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are among Ottumwa's most highly esteemed colored people and have resided in the city for twenty years. They received many beautiful and costly presents. Elegant refreshments consisting of turkey, chicken, salad, ice cream, cake, and other delicacies were served; the floral decorations were carnations; Mr. and Mrs. Smith were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Z. Taylor, Mrs. B. Gattrell, Misses May Campbell and Messrs. J. Weeks, Wells, Fowler those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams of Agency, and Mrs. A. G. Jackson of Sigourney, Iowa.

DAVENPORT REPORT.

Mr. Fred Wright of Sterling, Ill. is in our city and he is stopping at 106 E. Pleasant St. and expects to make this his home if he is successful in getting work.

The Executive Board of the Iowa Baptist Association had a very prosperous session here last week and they seemed to like our city very much.

William Baker and J. T. Mabry was ordained as Deacons of the Third Baptist Church, March 14, by the executive board assisted by two visiting Ministers.

The ladies and friends of the Third Baptist Church gave a grand reception to the members of the Executive Board and visiting Ministers, March 15; Mrs. H. Applegate was chairman, Mrs. E. J. Saunders was Secretary, Rev. M. J. Burton made the welcome address, and J. T. Mabry was Toast Master. It was held at Mrs. Sarah Allen's 2101 Main St. and when the crowd scattered at 1:30 A. M.

The minister openly declared that it was the greatest reception they had given to such an assembly was from West. We treat all alike who will be the next.

Mrs. Galloway entertained the Executive board and several of her friends at her cozy home on W. 17 St. and Mrs. Galloway is noted for being a royal entertainer; it is useless to mention the way they all were entertained; they were assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Flora King of Rock Island, Ill. and Miss Susie Carter of this city.

Mr. Bert Chesterfield is reported better and is resting comfortably at his parents, Mr. Mrs. G. Chesterfield on Cherry and High Streets.

Mrs. Hughes gave a St. Patrick reception at her residence 723 1-2 Harrison St.; a crowd was present the prize, which was to be given to the person dressing the greenest was won by Mrs. Wille Busey.

J. T. Mabry, your humble agent and correspondent, is confined at this writing but hopes to be out again in a few days.

Master Clelie Brown expects to make a visit to Muchakinood in the near future to visit father, W. Brown, good luck to you, Master Clelie.

Rev. J. W. Muse preached the ordination sermon and he also filed the Third Baptist pulpit for Rev. Burton all day Sunday.

Messrs. F. Wright and J. T. Mabry were present at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday to hear Rev. Ward of Fr. Dodge, addressed the young men made one of the finest talks that probably ever fell from the lips of man and it was very highly appreciated.

Rev. E. Roy of Fraser, was appointed State Missionary by the board during their session here.

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A GREAT RUSSIAN.

TOLSTOI BRAVELY AWAITS THE ANGEL OF DEATH.

Says He Is Ready to Go at Any Time. That His Life's Work Is Done--Russia Is Better Than He Has Lived--Friend of the Poor.

Count Tolstoi is reported to have said recently that he felt the approach of his last hours drawing nigh, and that looking into the future he was conscious of no such thing as the fear of death. All his life Tolstoi has been trying to get at the bottom of things, and while he has changed much from period to period, and expressed his advanced views sometimes more radically than at others, he may well feel now in his seventy-second year that he has accomplished much of permanent value for the world, and that even measured by his own high ideals, his life has been worth the living.

The last twenty years of his career have been very different from the years that preceded them. There came a time when he changed from the pure literary man full of ideas about the right and the wrong and the worthless and the valuable in society, but expressing them always in novels and other forms of a primarily literary nature and began to preach and practice a life of Christianity modeled on the



COUNT TOLSTOI.

New Testament as he interpreted it, far different from the ordinary Christianity of the churches. In his last book, however, "The Resurrection," he has presented in story form the fruits of his life experience of the various types of love. Tolstoi's family was very wealthy at one time, and the estates which he inherited were very large. In his early days, after service in the Crimean war, he lived for a time a wild life in St. Petersburg, reveling in all forms of dissipation. Wearying of it all, he married and settled down, but the more sober he grew the wider he opened his eyes to conditions of social life which he abhorred. After his novels, especially "Kreutzer Sonata," which dealt with moral problems, he wrote works giving his views of Christianity and religion. In the early 80's he was very radical in his mode of life, working daily with his hands, desiring to give his whole property to the poor and encouraging a simple and direct morality in those around him. He was almost intolerant in the vigor of his beliefs, but since then, though he has not changed his ideals, he has respected the mode of life in others in greater degree. Tolstoi has been of the greatest service to the Russian people at many times, and especially in the years of famine in 1891-92. For a time he administered the national relief funds. Despite his radical views, he long held the confidence of the czar. That did not save him, however, from a severe conflict with the holy synod of Russia over his religious views three years ago. The views of Tolstoi about war and his belief in non-resistance are well known, and it has been no surprise to hear from him lately as an ardent friend of the Boers, desirous of the humiliation of England.

A Shabby Looking Peer.

The duke of Norfolk, who has volunteered to resign the position of postmaster-general in the British cabinet with the idea of going to the front in South Africa, is one of the richest peers in England, as well as a leading representative of the Roman Catholic religion in the house of lords. He is noted for his kind heart and for his utter disregard for his personal appearance, relates the Chicago Tribune. So far is he from a proud and haughty disposition that he is known by the tenants on his estates as "Uncle Henry." Because of the poor clothes which he wears he has been the victim of some curious and amusing adventures. On one occasion he had engaged to distribute the prizes to the pupils of a convent. Instead of riding to the convent in state, he walked, and was met in the grounds by one of the sisters, who, judging from his appearance that he was an applicant for charity, expressed her sorrow that relief was not distributed on that day.

"I know, sister," said the duke, "but you do distribute prizes, and I have come to distribute them for you."

Nathan Hale's Schoolhouse.

Nathan Hale's schoolhouse in New London, Conn., is attracting considerable attention at the present moment. The old house where he taught after leaving Yale College until the breaking out of the revolution, and where he made a patriotic speech to his scholars just before he joined the Continental army, is still standing, and the Connecticut society of the Sons of the American Revolution, propose to have it restored to its former condition.

DECEIVED THE BRITISHERS.

How a Woman Adventurer Was Able to Play a High Role in London.

The history of Hqn. Elizabeth Harriet Griev, who flourished in England in 1773-74, illustrates a favorite method by which the old-time Britishers endeavored to secure snug places. This lady, who said that she was first cousin to Lord North, second cousin to the Duke of Graton, nearly related to Lady Fitzroy and a personal friend of Lord Guilford and Charles James Fox, drove about London in a handsome chariot, with footmen; her chariot stopped at the doors of great houses; she received great people at her own house, notably Charles James Fox; she also condescended to receive smaller people. The latter gave her large sums of money, in return for which she promised them places. One was to be a clerk in the victualling office, one was to be a court waiter; one was to be a clerk in the admiralty; one was to be a "settled adamsman;" another was to have anything that happened to be going. Charles Fox assisted, unwittingly, at spreading the belief in the lady's powers and promises, because he frequently drove to her lodgings, and left his carriage outside for all the world to see. The reason was not friendship, but interest. He, too, received promises. He was at the moment impetuous. The lady promised him a West Indian helress, with \$300,000. He called daily to inquire after his helress with all the eagerness of a young lover. Alas! the helress was never visible; she was even reported to be laid up with smallpox. Her visits were so useful to the Hon. Elizabeth that she actually lent him \$1,500, a stop which naturally made him believe more firmly in the West Indian. Of course, when the expectant men found that there was nothing for them they went to court and saw the magistrate. It came out, on investigation, that the lady was not in any sense honorable; that she was not related to any great people; that her history was a mass of lies, and that she was nothing more than an ex-convict recently returned from Virginia. They kept her in prison for a twelvemonth--the delay is not explained--and then banished her for seven years.

HEAVY GUNS DESTROY EARS.

Why So Many Artillerymen Suffer From Defective Hearing.

The stunning report of each gun as it is fired is something that a stranger on the deck of a ship of war will long remember. There is an old saying, "deaf as a post." Now in the English navy this is changed to "deaf as a post captain." No man can go through a long series of gunnery practices without having his hearing seriously affected. Some men put cotton in their ears, but even this precaution does little to deaden the terrible shock. And if the firing of one or two guns has such a shattering power, what would be the effect if the whole armament were in action together? It is impossible to conceive the strain on nerve and senses of the rending concussion. If a visitor watches the firing of one of the monster nine-inch guns and then places himself beside one of the smaller pieces, the report made by the one will not appear much louder than that of the other. The extra distance to the muzzle of the big pieces discounts the sound. The only apparent difference between the two appears to be that the small pieces have a sharper, higher-pitched note, and that the six and nine-inch guns speak with more of a hollow roar. One piece of advice may be given to any one who finds himself in the neighborhood of a gun in action. The noise will not have nearly the same effect if you are watching the gun as if the crash comes unexpectedly. Unconsciously nature prepares you to resist a shock which is known to be impending.

The Flight of Empress Eugenie.

The true story of the flight of the Empress Eugenie from the Tuilleries will soon be published. It is now in the form of a manuscript left by Dr. T. W. Evans, the American dentist, who accompanied the Empress in her flight to England. Dr. Crane, who aided Dr. Evans in protecting Eugenie and accelerating her flight, says he only awaits a decision of the court before publishing this contribution to French history. The reason why it was not published during Dr. Evans' lifetime is because it deals hard blows at those who deserted the Empress in her hour of trial. Now that most of the chief actors in the drama of 1870 have passed away, the venerable ex-Empress has expressed the wish that this interesting manuscript be published.

An Encounter with a Mad Bull.

A telegram from Paris describes an encounter with a mad bull at Mont de Marsan. A woman was terribly injured, and an officer who went to her assistance with a drawn sword was tossed several yards and badly hurt. A sergeant charged the animal with a fixed bayonet, but was knocked down and trampled upon, being frightfully mangled. The bull next charged the village omnibus, killing both the horses. Several villagers, armed with rifles, at length succeeded in killing it.

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A war correspondent writes from South Africa to the London Daily Mail: "A certain gallant corps at Chieveley Camp provided the guard that should protect our precious beer till Christmas day. In the morning two dozen bottles were missing. 'Disgraceful!' said the authorities; 'double the guard.' And they doubled it. Next day four dozen were missing."

Once at a dinner party, where Gen. N. B. Forrest, commanding the confederate cavalry, had been invited as the guest of honor, a loquacious widow, with hair of raven black, rudely interrupted the conversation by asking General Forrest why it was that his beard was still black while his hair was turning gray. With great politeness Forrest turned toward her. "I fear I can not give you a satisfactory answer," said he, "unless, possibly, the reason is that I have used my brain more than my jaw."

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Nothing breaks down a person so quickly as loss of sleep, that boon of mankind which gives the exhausted system rest for repairs.

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SIGNS POINT TO PEACE

Roberts Seems to Be Delaying Operations.

A THREE WEEKS' TRUCE.

Negotiations Now Proceeding and the Free-States Reported Willing to Submit—Transvaalers Still Appear Determined to Fight.

London, March 23.—Possibly the most important war news of the day is contained in this dispatch from Cape Town to the Daily Mail: "I have just arrived here from Bloemfontein. I was informed that no further movement was probable for three weeks, as some negotiations were proceeding. I was unable to learn the nature of these negotiations or whether Sir Alfred Milner's departure from Cape Town had any connection with them. There is, however, every sign that the Free-States are anxious to give up, and it would not be surprising if the war collapsed quickly, for though there are no definite indications of the feelings of the Transvaalers, many stories are afloat to the effect that they are anxious to cease fighting."

No news is yet at hand indicating a renewal of the British advance from Bloemfontein. Gen. Roberts is evidently quietly accumulating stores and transports. When his preparations are completed, however, there is little doubt he will move with his usual tremendous energy.

Lord Methuen's movements north of Kimberley are believed to be a prelude to the gathering of a column of 20,000 men, with Kimberley as a base, to strike eastward from Fourteen Streams into the Transvaal.

Gen. Gatacre is sweeping through the country like a cyclone, with flying columns in all directions. His swiftness and strategy have proved of inestimable value to Lord Roberts.

The main bodies of the Boers in the Free State are at Brantford and Kroonstad, but according to a Standard report in Bloemfontein, 4,000 Transvaalers from Colesburg are seeking to escape through the south of the state by way of the Basutoland border.

A curious story is reported this morning by the Times from Lourenco Marques, to the effect that a scheme has been effected for the amalgamation of the Transvaal and Free State. Mr. Kruger, it is said, is to be the first president of the federated states, while Mr. Steyn, as some solace for the loss of his presidential office, will receive the appointment of commander general of the Boer army.

SWITZERLAND SAYS NO TO IT.

Regretfully Declines to Mediate in South African War.

Berne, Switzerland, March 22.—The federal council has answered the Boer appeal for mediation as follows: "The Swiss federal council would have been pleased to co-operate in friendly mediation in order to end further bloodshed, but as the presidents of both South African republics have directly approached the British government in order to conclude peace on a basis indicated, and the British government has shown itself against the proposal, and as, furthermore, the British government has declared to the cabinet at Washington that it did not propose to accept the intervention of any power, the Swiss federal council, to its regret, must also renounce the idea of taking any steps on the lines of the request made by the presidents of the South African republics. There remains for the federal council, in the circumstances, nothing but to express its sincere wish that the belligerents will have succeeded, at no distant date, in finding a basis for an understanding honorable to both parties."

Squadron to European Station.

London, March 23.—The mayor of Portsmouth has received advices from Secretary of the Navy Long to the effect that an American squadron would certainly be sent to European waters later on.

Rosland Has Pneumonia.

Paris, March 23.—Edmond de Rosland, author of "Cyrano de Bergerac" and of "L'Aiglon," the new play just produced by Sarah Bernhardt, is ill with pneumonia.

Plague Spreading in India.

Bombay, March 23.—The bubonic plague is spreading rapidly in Bengal. Last week there were 4,725 deaths from this cause.

Osman Pasha May Not Be Dead.

London, March 23.—The death of Osman Pasha, the famous Turkish general is not credited here. It was not printed in any London paper, nor has it appeared since, and there has been no confirmation of the story.

Government Bonds Lower.

New York, March 23.—Sales of new 2 per cent United States refunding bonds, "when issued," were made at 104 on the New York stock exchange Wednesday. Last week the bonds were quoted as high as 106½. The bonds are falling to a level where the banks will want to buy them, and the decline will facilitate their use as a basis for circulation.

Kaiser Favors Open Door.

Berlin, March 23.—Emperor William entertained the ambassadors and their wives at luncheon Wednesday. Thrice he engaged United States Ambassador White in conversation, and he referred repeatedly to the "open door" policy in "China," which he "emphatically" espoused, saying: "We must all do our best to establish and maintain an open door there."

DARROW DEFENDS UNIONISM.

Levy Mayer Testifies Against Laws on Trusts and Combinations.

Chicago, March 23.—Clarence S. Darrow and Levy Mayer, attorneys representing antagonistic interests in industrial lines, were the principal witnesses before the industrial commission at the Auditorium hotel Wednesday. Mr. Darrow, who was the attorney for Eugene Debs during the American Railway union strike in Chicago, spoke from the standpoint of the workingman and replied to the statements made by Mr. Chalmers Tuesday. Mr. Mayer, promoter and leading trust and corporation attorney, held views radically opposed to those of Mr. Darrow, and the burden of his testimony was directed against the laws on trusts and combinations existing in Illinois. Both made strong arguments, although but little was said upon the present labor troubles in Chicago.

Lake Ice Has Increased.

Chicago, March 23.—Reports indicate that the ice has increased in all the lakes during the past week. In Lake Superior the fields are larger and the ice has increased in thickness. In St. Mary's river the increase has been about two inches. In Green bay the ice fields, under the influence of strong westerly winds, moved over to the east shore, blocking the harbors south of Ludington. The ice in the straits has increased four inches during the past week. More ice is reported in northern Lake Huron than at any time this winter. The conditions in Lake St. Clair and the Detroit river remain the same. In Lake Erie there is an increased amount of ice from all reporting stations.

Police to Wear Mustaches.

Chicago, March 23.—The question now is whether policemen in the future, to be eligible to serve on the Chicago force, should wear mustaches, and police circles on the west side are in the throes of mental agony in an effort to solve the problem. They are wondering if Police Inspector John D. Shea has surrendered to the English. His St. Patrick's edict, coming so soon after Queen Victoria's edict that the soldiers of the British army should only wear mustaches, and having been uttered on the day when the shamrock was being worn on the breast of every Englishman at the request of her gracious majesty, has served to cast suspicion upon the patriotic sentiments of the Inspector for the land of his birth.

More Plague in 'Frisco.

San Francisco, Cal., March 23.—The health officers of this city and the entire Chinese quarter are in a state of great commotion owing to the discovery since Sunday of three more cases of the bubonic plague, all of which were fatal. Chinatown is white with chloride of lime as a result and none of the celestials are allowed to leave their quarters. Inspectors are on guard at all the railway depots, on the highways leading from the city, and at all the steamship docks. A rigid house-to-house inspection is in progress.

Used Lantern as Foot Warmer.

Peru, Ind., March 23.—Miss Kate Haimbaugh of Rochester started to drive to Letter's ford, and as the weather was bitterly cold, she placed a lighted lantern at her feet under the robes. When a number of miles out from Rochester, the lantern caused the robes and her dress to catch fire, and the young woman came very near burning to death before she was able to tear off the burning wraps.

To Run City "As Jesus Would."

Moundsville, W. Va., March 23.—Parkinson has given out the information that he will soon adopt the Sheldon plan for municipal government, and run the city "as Jesus would." The new move is the result of the religious meeting which has recently effected 600 conversions here. The minority is making a vigorous objection.

To Test the Law.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 23.—Smiley Chambers, counsel for the Republic steel trust in the suits brought by the state to compel the payment of wages weekly, made the first statement today regarding the position that the trust will take in the litigation. He says that the fight will be made on the ground that the law discriminates and that therefore it is unconstitutional.

Newspaper Man Fatally Shot.

Wichita, Kan., March 23.—Frank W. Elliott, editor of the Troy Times, a democratic weekly, was shot by an unknown assailant while leaving the Grand Island train at Troy Wednesday midnight. The person firing the shots was concealed behind some box cars. Elliott was seriously and probably fatally wounded.

Town in Possession of Mob.

Evansville, Ind., March 23.—Citizens of Boonville are on guard ready to defend property and lives against a mob of union coal miners who are in possession of the town. The authorities have been warned not to interfere. In several fights tonight nonunion men were beaten.

Indicted for Barbarous Infanticide.

St. Paul, Minn., March 23.—Wednesday the grand jury at Anoka indicted Mrs. Blake and Daniel Mattison, charged with placing Mrs. Blake's baby in a red-hot coal stove and burning it alive, first having tried to dispose of it with poison. Six counts were returned in the indictment for murder.

Miners Want Weekly Pay Day.

Terre Haute, Ind., March 23.—The United Mine Workers' convention of district No. 11, comprising most of Indiana, have decided in favor of demanding weekly pay and the privilege of buying their powder in the open market.

CHICAGO BARBER SHOT DEAD.

R. W. Gilchrist Slain at His Chair by An Unknown Assassin.

HE OPENS A DOOR AND FIRES.

Waits Until His Victim Falls—Then He Vanishes, Leaving Little Clue to His Identity—Man Who Saw the Tragedy Thought a Joke Was Being Played.

Chicago, March 23.—Robert W. Gilchrist, proprietor of a barber shop at 1764 Twenty-second street, was shot and instantly killed while preparing to shave a patron in his shop at 7:45 o'clock Wednesday night.

The assassin used a rifle, and the bullet, which entered Gilchrist's head back of the right temple and lodged under the skin back of the left ear, passed through the brain. The identity of the assassin is unknown to the several witnesses of the murder, and the police have the aid only of a description in effecting his capture.

The method of the murder was deliberate. The assassin came to the door of the shop, opened it about half way, took a slow aim at his victim and fired. He then disappeared as silently as he came, before the men in the shop could recover from their astonishment and give pursuit. Gilchrist had not turned toward the door, and appeared unaware of the presence of the stranger. As the ball struck him he sank to the floor and expired.

S. G. Jeffries, a customer awaiting his turn, describes the affair as follows: "Gilchrist had adjusted the napkins about the man in his chair, and was standing behind it, with his side toward the door. I saw the stranger approach the door and, without any hesitancy, open it. He carried a rifle. When he took aim at the barber I had no thought but that he was some friend of Gilchrist's playing a joke. He held the gun at arm for several seconds and then fired. Until I heard the shot I believed he was only joking, and expected to see him lower the gun and walk in. He watched Gilchrist sink to the ground, and then started to run away."

The police have received information which leads them to believe that jealousy may have been the motive of the crime. A man who was on intimate terms with the barber says the latter often spoke of an acquaintance with a married woman.

JEALOUS HUSBAND'S PLACARDS.

Posts Notices That His Wife Has Transferred Her Affections.

Chicago, March 23.—When Warren L. Bristol found that his photograph had been removed from the family album and the picture of another man inserted in its place he, perturbed by his wife, and then advertised his troubles upon placards, which he posted on lamp posts and telegraph poles throughout Englewood. The card announced that Frank Kahn, a boarder, had usurped his place in his wife's affections.

THREE FOUND UNDER THE ICE.

Bodies of Clayton, Relfe, and Olsen, Klondike Men, Are Discovered.

Victoria, B. C., March 23.—The police have found the bodies of Clayton, Relfe and Olsen, the three men who have been missing since they left Dawson, in November last. They were found under the ice, some distance from the trail, and in possession of O'Brien, the man held on suspicion of being the murderer, were found a number of articles belonging to Relfe, and in the cabin which he occupied, near the scene of the murder, the remains of some burned clothing.

Tar and Feathers for Fanatics.

Gretna, Neb., March 23.—A mob took Louis Figg and wife, religious fanatics, from their beds at 11 o'clock Wednesday night and treated them to a coat of tar and feathers. For a year or more Figg, by some peculiar influence, induced several women to leave their husbands, homes and children and live with him. The women refused to return to their homes, saying that Figg was their God and their husbands the devils.

May Have Fooled Goebel Men.

Middlesboro, Ky., March 23.—A telegram from Winchester says Wharton Golded, who it is claimed turned state's evidence and told who had assassinated Goebel, had "gold-bricked" Tom Campbell and Bob Franklin, attorneys for the democrats in the Goebel assassination case, and that Golden was there with Smith Hayes, "having a good time" with the money paid. Golden, it is said, is laughing at the way he "worked" the democrats.

Convict's Innocence Proved.

Chicago, March 23.—Adelbert Swartz, who has served three years of a life sentence in a Michigan penitentiary, is about to be declared innocent of the crime for which he was convicted, and Inspector Hartnett has been asked to search for Henry Cowan, who is charged with the murder for which Swartz is paying the penalty.

Bertie Finch Exonerated.

Chicago, March 23.—A coroner's inquest conducted by Deputy Coroner Weckler promptly exonerated Bertie Finch, the 16-year-old boy who, while protecting his mother's life, shot and killed his drink-crazed father, George Finch.

Filipinos Defeat Americans.

Paris, March 23.—The Intertransigent has a telegram received by Agoncillo, Aguinaldo's envoy, announcing that the Filipino general, Pavia, has routed the Americans near Cubat and taken the town.

THE MORMONS DID IT

WHAT WE OWE TO BRIGHAM YOUNG'S FOLLOWERS.

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(Boise, Idaho, Mar.)

Criticize the Mormons as you will, they must be credited with the wonderful system of irrigation by which the wastes of the western states have been redeemed. On July 24, 1847, Brigham Young

IN THE BOERS.

HAYS HAMMOND SAYS WAR IS JUST.

Participant in the Jamestown Raid Comes Out in His Own Defense—Says That the Farmers Were at Fault from the Start.

According to John Hays Hammond, American engineer, whose activity in Johannesburg while associated with Rhodes mining interests at the time of the Jamestown raid in 1896, came costing him his life at the hands of the Boers, America's sympathies in the British-Boer conflict should not be Oom Paul, but with her majesty's. Mr. Hammond gave expression to his view at a brilliant dinner given a few days since in Chicago. He spoke of the condition of affairs in the Transvaal prior to the war and took opportunity to say that England was carrying on a just war and that the Boers were wholly to blame for the present difficulty.

Mr. Hammond made the assertion that the Transvaal mining industry would never have achieved success were it not for the fact that English capital and American ingenuity became interested and entered the field. The outlanders, he said, were invited to the territory by Oom Paul, who, when they had served his purpose, denied them the right to exist there by reason of the oppressive laws he directed against them. The outlanders paid nine-tenths of the taxes and yet had little or no voice in the government owing to the franchise law. This law provides that the applicant must renounce in the first instance allegiance to all other countries; he is then under probation for a period of fourteen years, during which time he is liable to be called upon by the state for military duty. After the expiration of fourteen years he may secure citizenship, provided he obtains in writing a petition signed by two-thirds of the burghers in the district in which he resides, and provided furthermore that he receives the sanction of the president and executive council.

To this law the outlanders objected and they were also dissatisfied with the jury system, which barred them from serving on juries; the alien exclusion act, by which an outlander could be put over the border at any time without cause; the prohibition of free speech, to the maladministration of laws as to native labor, official corruption, and many other wrongs which, Mr. Hammond said, became unbearable and eventually caused the war.

In Mr. Hammond's opinion, the present strife was forced upon President Kruger by his inability to longer control the widespread conspiracy he had built up against England. Oom Paul, said Mr. Hammond, was waiting for a rupture between Great Britain and some other power, when he would make his effort to attain independence, for many years the Boers were active in pushing a scheme of conspiracy for the English from South Africa were buying guns, building fortifications and hiring foreign officers in preparation of a conflict.

That is wanted by the outlanders, Mr. Hammond, is the establishment of the principle that there shall be taxation without representation. It might be supposed that Mr. Hammond was prejudiced in the matter in favor of the English because of his participation in movements against the Boers, but this view of the matter would be wrong, he claims. He spoke of the American, he said, and put the case plainly before his audience.

That Settled It.
A story is told of a very popular lawyer. He was being tried for drunkenness, and among other witnesses was his Irish orderly. The court asked him to give the officer every question to this man with a view to eliciting any fact that might be in his master's favor. When the orderly said that his master, on going to bed, had expressed a wish to be called early, the members of the court-martial were distinctly puzzled. A man who gave special instructions to be called early could not, they argued to themselves, be drunk. Hoping to get favorable particulars, the judge asked another question. "And why did the man wish to be called early?" they said. "Faith! an' he told me it because he was to be queen of the court," came the answer. That settled Collier's Weekly.

Coffee in a New Form.
Take a pill from your pocket, drop it in a cup of hot water, and in a twinkling of an eye have coffee as black as your hat and as strong as a team of mules. That sounds like an alchemical process, but it is true. This new preparation of caffeine, which is away with all the boiling and straining and fuss which make the coffee barely worth while, has just been discovered by two German chemists. Their expectations are realized in the making of compound pellet, containing the coffee ingredients, along with the milk and sugar. This is only one of the almost incredible triumphs of German chemistry, which has already produced a quinine which cannot be distinguished, so far as therapeutic qualities, from the original article.

Same Thing.
Daughter—"If I can't have Percy Pinkhead for a husband, I want nobody." Father—"Well, what's the difference?"—Puck.

CONGRESS.

Washington, March 22.—After a debate, at times spirited, extending over parts of two days, the senate passed the Porto Rican relief appropriation bill. As passed the measure carries \$1,000,000, the president being authorized to use that sum "for public education, public works and other governmental and public purposes" in Porto Rico. Allen offered an amendment to the bill declaring that the constitution extends over Porto Rico by its own force, but it was lost by the decisive vote of 36 to 17.

Only business of minor importance was transacted.
HOUSE.
Washington, March 22.—House adopted a resolution to the memory of the late Senator Hayward of Nebraska, and as a further mark of respect adjourned.

SENATE.
Washington, March 19.—The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, carrying more than \$25,000,000 was passed without debate. The measure providing for the appointment of a commission to adjudicate and settle claims of the people of the United States growing out of the war with Spain was also passed without opposition.

HOUSE.
The pension appropriation bill was sent to conference and the house non-concurred in senate amendments to Porto Rican appropriation bill.

SENATE.
Washington, March 20.—The feature of the session was an address by Morgan on the Porto Rican bill. He said Porto Rico and the Philippines are already a portion of the United States. Were it not so we could not legislate for them. Nor could we abandon them without disgrace.

HOUSE.
Hull, chairman of the committee on military affairs, reported back from that committee the resolution introduced by Sulzer, re vesting the secretary of war to inform the house as regards the fortifications that may be constructed along the northern frontier of the United States and especially contiguous to Alaska. The committee recommended that it lie upon the table. Sulzer delivered a scathing denunciation of the administration's pro-British course, charging that it did nothing without the consent of Downing street, and that the recent action of Secretary Hay was taken upon request of Lord Salisbury and defeated a concert of the European powers to intervene in South Africa, and charging generally the English with erecting fortifications along the Canadian boundary that menaced the peace and welfare of this country. The resolution was laid on the table, 110 to 97. The Loud bill to restrict the character of publications entitled to postpaid rates and treatment in mail matter was considered at length, but a vote was not reached.

SENATE.
Washington, March 21.—Turner of Washington offered a resolution directing the secretary of war to inform the senate whether any concessions to excavate the gold bearing bed of the Colorado river, Alaska, or in other Alaskan waters, had been made to any individual or corporation, and if so upon what theory of authority such grant was made. The resolution was referred to the committee on the passage of a resolution directing the secretary of war to inform the senate what were the qualifications of voters in the approaching election in Cuba, who prepared them, the purpose of the election and who will have charge of it. The additional urgent deficiency bill was passed.

HOUSE.
Upon motion of Dabell, a special committee of nine was appointed to consider all proposed legislation relative to the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the purchase of Louisiana territory at St. Louis in 1803. During the debate upon the Loud bill, relating to second-class mail matter, there was a sharp exchange between McPherson of Iowa and Lentz of Ohio over a charge made by the former that the latter had introduced a bill to prohibit the fighting the bill; otherwise the debate was without incident.

SENATE.
Washington, March 22.—A resolution by Allen requesting information as to tariff rates in force in the Philippines, Guam, Porto Rico and Cuba, and the amount collected in each instance since American occupation, was adopted. Feiler introduced a resolution calling upon the president for an itemized statement of the expenses of the Philippine commission, and each of its members, but Senator Davis objected to the present consideration of the same and it went over. The conference report on the Porto Rican appropriation bill was considered, but a vote was not reached.

HOUSE.
After a spirited discussion extending over three days the Loud bill relating to second-class mail matter was recommitted by the house to-day to the committee on postoffices. The majority in favor of the motion to recommit was 110 to 97. It is regarded as unlikely that the measure will appear again during the present congress.

FRICK WINS VICTORY.

Reorganization of Carnegie Company Formed.
PITTSBURGH, March 23.—The Carnegie Steel company, limited, becomes a stock company with a capital variously estimated at from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000, the famous "iron clad agreement" is wiped out, all litigation between the partners in the Carnegie company is dropped and H. C. Frick, the former president of the company, virtually secures all he has contended for. These facts are embodied in an authorized statement issued tonight by the Carnegie Steel company limited.

THE BOERS WIN.

General Olivier's Flying Column Brings Gatacre to a Halt.
KROONSTADT, Orange Free State, March 20, via Pretoria, March 23.—The Boers, commanded by General Olivier, have engaged the British troops under General Gatacre in the vicinity of Bethulie, repulsing the British with heavy loss and capturing many of them. Burghers are arriving here in great numbers. General Dewet arrived to-day.

American Ship Goes to China.
BERLIN, March 22.—The official agency has given out a Washington dispatch setting forth that an American warship has been sent to Taku which is intended to participate in an eventual joint naval demonstration should China persist in her refusal to suppress the sects hostile to the Christians.

Transvaal Troops Weakening.
LONDON, March 20.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Bloemfontein says:
"In a speech which he made here a few days before the British entered the town, President Kruger admitted that his men would be unable to keep in the field for another month."

Macrum Summoned.
WASHINGTON, March 22.—The house committee on foreign affairs has decided to investigate the charges of ex-Consul Macrum to the Transvaal, relative to the opening of his official mail by British authorities. The committee has summoned him to appear.

Frost Kills Tennessee Crops.
CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 17.—The worst to be feared by the fruit growers of eastern Tennessee and northern Georgia was realized in the cold wave Thursday night. Reports show the mercury dropped to 24 and everything was frozen over this entire section. Fruit growers lost heavily.

Bridge Over the Modder Blown Up.
BLOEMFONTEIN, March 21.—The Boers blew up the railroad bridge over the Modder river, fourteen miles north, Sunday night. The law courts were reopened Monday.

HE LIKES WESTERN CANADA.

Duhamel, Jan. 24, 1900.

Dear Sir and Friend—We had a lucky trip, made good connections and got to Wetaskiwin Monday afternoon; stayed there all night, bought a pony and saddle for the boy and hired a three-seated rig for the balance of us, and got home to dinner next day; caught the boys cleaning up and getting ready to come after us. Wednesday the snow was all gone and we had bare ground and bright sunshine for a month, and it has been pleasant weather ever since. The ground is frozen about two feet and about six inches of snow—just enough for good sleighing. We had one cold spell in December. The thermometer went down to 32 below zero, but we did not suffer with the cold at all. We have worked every day all winter, are all well and feeling well; have built a log house 18x18, two log stables 16x18, and are now busy on a well. We have 10 cows, three other cattle and six head of horses. The boys send their best respects to Mr. Huchison, and say they will talk to him enough to pay for not writing when he gets up here; will write you again next spring and tell you all about the winter. We all unite in sending you and family our best wishes and respects and hope this will find you all well.

Yours very respectfully,
(Signed) THOMAS TATE,
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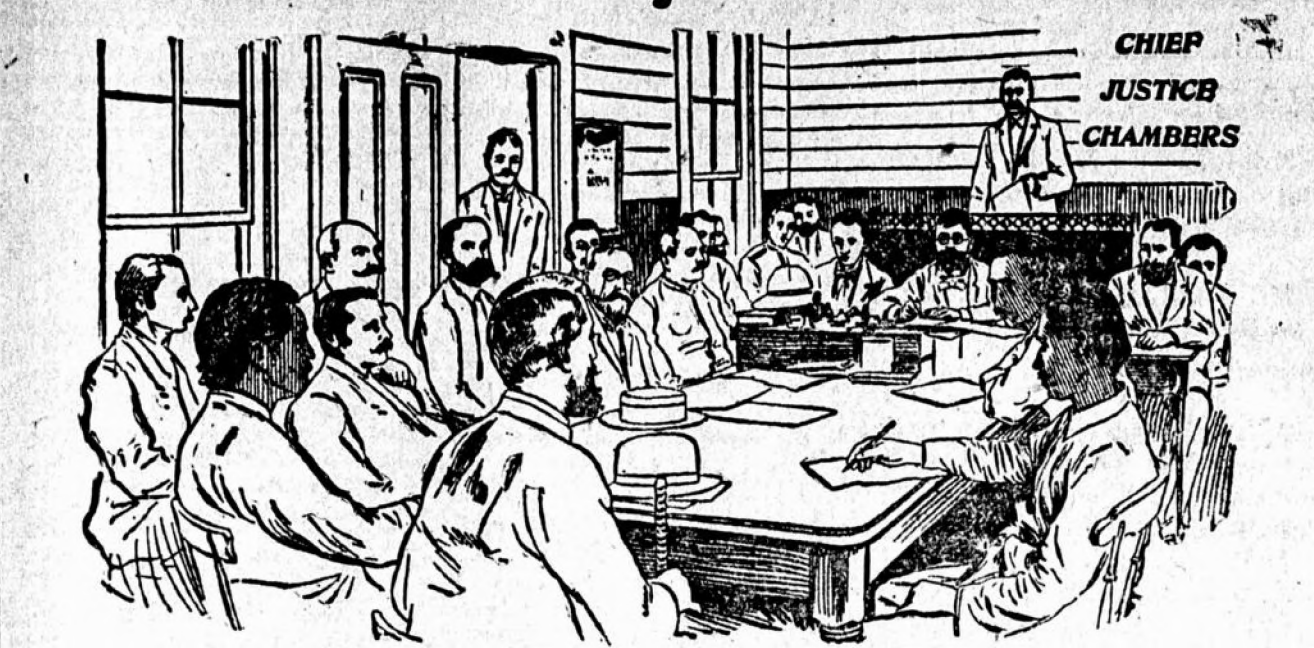
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