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CITY NEWS.

Rollen Weeks was out to Clive Sunday.

It is reported that Father Crockett is very sick.

Miss Minnie Weeks was among those sick last week.

Mrs. Harrison Gould is quite sick at her home on Third street.

Clarence Tolliver of Rock Island spent Sunday in our city.

Wesley Fields has accepted a position at Lawrence's Drug store.

Miss Mary Bell entertained Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jacobs at dinner Monday evening.

William McCabe, leading man of the McCabe and Young minstrel, called at our office Monday.

H. J. Parks, a student at Ames College is visiting in our city a few days this week.

A number of our girls are preparing to go to Saylor next Sunday. What is the attraction?

Mrs. Wilson Hughes, who has been in poor health for some time, is regaining her strength.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 316 West Third street. Tunes Pianos and repairs organs.

Mrs. Susan White, who has been sick for many months, does not improve and she seems to be on the decline.

Mr. George H. Dunn has purchased property on 11th street near School street and will move there before long.

Mrs. C. Howard arrived from Omaha last week. She will make this her home until her husband gets his run changed to Chicago.

Remember the Beckwith grocery store is soliciting your trade. They are doing a fairly good business, but every race man should trade there. It is your duty to patronize it.

There will be a valentine banquet given by the D. of T. Daughters of Tabernacle, on February 14, at Painters hall. Come and have a grand time.

Mr. Charles H. Richardson, one of our successful farmers at Clive has purchased him a home in this city west of Drake university on 30th street and will move here in the spring.

Rev. L. J. Phillips has been invited to read a paper before the Ministerial Association Monday week, subject, "Race Problem."

Elmer Richardson of Clive has been employed by D. M. Johnson & Son's dry goods store as janitor. He succeeds Rollin Weeks.

Hon. Geo. H. Woodson of Mahaska county, and one of the leading lawyers of the North-west, was in the city several days this week attending to legal business in the Supreme and Federal courts. On Wednesday he with other distinguished visitors who were in the city accepted an invitation and taken dinner with his excellency Governor Shaw.

H. H. of R., No. 339 of G. U. O. of O. F. convenes the second and fourth Thursday in each month, promptly at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. B. J. HOLMES, M. N. G. Mrs. G. L. WILLIAMS, W. R.

Mr. Rollen Weeks, one of our best young men, has been employed by the National Life and Trust Insurance Co., as copist. We hope Rollen will continue to advance. He is a very fine penman.

The concert that was given by Miss Harris, assisted by Miss Mabel Morton, at the A. M. E. church Thursday night of last week was well attended and a very good program was given.

The Messrs. H. J. Pierce and Wm. Frazier and Mrs. Geo. Staples and Miss Potter formed a theater party and went to the Auditorium last Wednesday night to see May Hosmer and company play "Lost Paradise."

WE WANT colored organizers for the best thing on earth for colored people. African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Iowa.

All strangers and visitors to the city are invited to attend the A. M. E. Sunday School where they will be made welcome every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

All members and friend of the Christian Endeavor Society are urged to come out early next Sunday evening, not later than 6 o'clock to hear Mr. Lucas of our city, who attended the National C. E. Society at London last year, lecture.

Mr. Jefferson Logan will entertain a number of his friends to-night with an old time opossum supper. The scarcity of this game and Mr. Logan's skill in preparing them always makes his friends anxious for the return of his annual "possum supper."

Rev. L. J. Phillips is in correspondence with the father of Alexander, the boy who was burned at the stake in Kansas. He has received one letter and the father claims his son was innocent.

The H. B. S. met at the home of Mrs. Warrick. The president read an interesting paper on books. The circle will meet with Mrs. Denny next week. An old fashion district school will be the feature of the afternoon. All members are requested to be present.

Joshua Strawther, electrician, 953 West Thirtieth street. Electrical repairs of all kinds. Medical, dental and surgical instruments a specialty. Dynamos and motors, light, etc. Give me a call.

TO THE NORTHWEST.

Greatly reduced one-way settlers rates will be in effect via the Iowa Central Railway during February, March and April 1901. For full particulars call on Iowa Central ticket agents or address, Geo. S. Batty, G. P. & T. A., Marshalltown, Iowa.

The newly elected officers of the Movable Calk Horseshoe Co. are as follows: H. B. Burrus, President; J. H. Hill, Vice President; J. H. Logan, Treasurer; R. N. Hyde, Secretary and General Manager. Board of Directors: W. N. Malone, Coalfield, Iowa; Rev. B. L. Beal, Hannibal, Mo.; J. W. Cox, Frankford, Mo.; J. M. Shackleford, Atchison, Kansas; J. W. Robinson, St. Joseph, Mo.; Rev. E. Roey, Fraser, Ia.; Samuel I. Carmichael, Yale, Kansas, Chairman. Board of Managers: J. H. Hill, Jefferson Logan, R. N. Hyde, I. M. Jones, H. B. Burrus, Chairman.

WHITE THE African Monarchs of America. They have something to tell you. Sioux City, Iowa.

A DELIGHTFUL SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. E. T. Banks and Mrs. Julia Hudlin gave a surprise party on Mrs. Rosie LaCour last Wednesday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Blagburn, on West Eleventh street. The major portion of the invited guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ruff, and about 9 p. m. they arrived at the Blagburn home, and soon after Mrs. LaCour returned home and to say that she was surprised to find so many of her friends there is putting it mildly. She exclaimed to Mrs. Hudlin "why didn't you tell me this." What was played until supper was served. Mrs. E. T. Blagburn assisted in serving. After supper dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

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White House Visited.

About 800 persons a day are expected to visit the white house this year. The number rises from 1,500 to 2,000, and the house for visitors are not many, being from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. In spite of this constraint the beautiful old-gild figured carpet in the east room looks as well as when it was first put down.

KANSAS LYNCHING.

The burning alive of Alexander at the stake at Leavenworth, Kan., last week by a howling mob is one of the blackest crimes that has ever been committed in this country. How long will the Americans suffer infuriated mobs to burn helpless citizens without lifting up their voices against such outrages. Alexander was tied to a stake, saturated with oil and the torch applied while he was protesting his innocence to the last. He was burned because of race prejudice. He had not committed crime and if he was guilty he was entitled to a fair trial. McAllister and his three associates who raped and then murdered little Jennie Boscheiler at Paterson, N. J., were given a fair trial and today there is a man in the Polk county jail who has pleaded guilty to the charge of rape on a little girl and the readers of the two great papers who speak of the colored man charged with rape as the burley brute, do not know that a child has been outraged just north of the city. If these men were entitled to a fair trial why is not a colored man charged with the same crime? Where is our boasted Christian civilization which guarantees to us our protection under the constitution.

Race prejudice seems to be growing and what the end will be is the question; the colored man will not always stand this. If the question should be asked the colored soldier why he fought in the Civil War or those who saved the day at San Juan, could they say the flag they help save protects them now. Again, can our government go to the Philippine Islands, 10,000 miles away, to attempt to teach the lesson of christianity and civilization, can our government condemn the Boxers in China or the Armenians in Turkey for the treatment of their subjects when we will permit such horrible and shocking brutality of the mob violence to continue. When you talk about civilization and brutality America should hang her bloody murderous head in holy shame.

WILL DISFRANCHISE THE NEGRO.

The governor of Maryland has called the legislature to convene the first of March, for the sole purpose of disfranchising the Negro voters. They will amend the present election law so as to remove the emblems from the tickets and having no fixed place for any candidate on the ticket. Such a change would disfranchise over 30,000 Negro voters in the state. What will be the next method that these highhanded murders will select to deprive the colored voters of their right, guaranteed them by the constitution. The next we presume will be to have the ticket printed in a foreign language.

It does seem to us that the time has come when Congress should say to those rebels that you cannot make a law that will prevent any man the right to cast his vote. It is an attempt to gain political perferment by demagogism, and should be condemned by Congress as well as all the courts as class legislation.

QUEEN VICTORIA.

This week the sad intelligence is received that Queen Victoria of England is dead. The whole civilized world has felt the loss and especially is it so keenly felt by her subjects everywhere. She is without doubt the greatest ruler that mankind has seen, and has ruled longer and better than any of her predecessors; 64 years as the Queen of England and died at the ripe age of 82 years.

It is true that back through the long ages of England's history, England has had many good rulers, but none so lustrious, so peaceable, so full of material development, so full of love and kindness as the Victorian age; less bloodshed and more happiness. England seems now to be at her zenith in popularity, strength, wealth and literature. She would not permit her subject

to own slaves; she was a kind-hearted, illustrious, and able Queen, having no enemies and whose memory will be cherished, revered, honored, and hallowed by the countless millions of her subjects and the future multitudes yet unborn.

BURIAL OF JESSE BELL.

Special to Bystander.

Iowa City, Jan. 21.—All Iowa City was shocked and saddened last Thursday morning when the information arrived over the wires to the effect that Mr. Jesse Bell, an old Iowa City boy, had been instantly killed while discharging his duty as passenger brakeman on the Rock Island road, having been caught by an overturning car which was derailed by having been struck by a wild locomotive belonging to the Wabash R'y.

The remains arrived here Friday evening and were entered in Oakland cemetery Sunday afternoon, after a short but impressive service at the residence of the parents of the deceased, on West College street. The services were conducted by Rev. Holly, assisted by a male quartette, consisting of Messrs. Wright, Clark, Ward and Brown. Large delegation of friends were in attendance from Cedar Rapids, Davenport, Rock Island and Wilton. Among those from Rock Island were chief train dispatcher Jones and several other representatives of the road, including six of the fellow servants of the deceased who acted as pall bearers, all of whom had been granted furloughs and transportation that the appreciation of the company for the valuable service that deceased had rendered to them during the past eight years that he has been in their employ.

The casket was literally covered with the tributes of the esteem in which deceased was held by host of friends, both here at home and abroad. He leaves a wife Mrs. Allie Bell nee Hannon, an aged mother, three devoted sisters and two brothers.

What is the Matter With the Register?

Immediately after the lynching of the colored man in Kansas the Iowa State Register, the boasted leading republican organ of Iowa, sanctioned lynching and called the supposed ravisher a scoundrel. Right here in our own county, only a few miles from his home, a white man ravished a little white girl, was taken to jail and has confessed that he did the crime that a colored man proclaimed his innocence, and the Register has never said to lynch this white man or even called him a white brute. Oh, thou hypocrite Register! How unfair and inconsistent.

McCABE AND YOUNG'S MINSTREL.

The above named company gave three performances at the Mirror Theater last week, presenting McCabe's latest success "A Black Trilby." Wm. S. McCabe, the leading man, assumed the title role and as he possesses a good voice and is a comedian, he was well fitted for the role and performed his part in a very pleasing manner.

Richard Smith, the baritone soloist, has a very rich voice. His rendition of "Sleep in the Deep" was good and he was forced to respond to an encore. Jas. J. Jennings did some very adroit dancing. Jake Powell won hearty applause when he sung the song entitled "Goo Goo Eyes." Mr. A. Marshall is the musical director. Wm. Lacey

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played a cornet solo. The company contains 16 members and the performances as a whole is above mediocrity and merits a good patronage. They also carry a band.

INDIGNATION MEETING.

The colored people of the city met at the African M. E. church last Tuesday and expressed themselves in indignant terms relative to recent lynchings in Kansas and other states. More than 100 of the representative colored people were present. Speeches were made on the lynching question. The following committees were appointed:

Petition—J. E. Williamson, Henry Crews, J. L. Thompson, Mrs. Charles Ruff, John Harding, Mr. Carter and A. J. Vaughn.

The Kansas lynching—R. N. Hyde, R. M. Jones, W. M. Hubbard, Wm. McAfee, Wm. Strouthers, C. West and A. J. Vaughn.

Publication of an anti-lynching magazine—L. J. Phillips, I. E. Williamson, Mrs. J. B. Rush, Mrs. I. H. Maxon, Mr. Fletcher, C. H. Ruff and W. H. Hubbard.

Resolutions—Charles Ruff, I. M. Jones and Mr. Barnett.

It is the intention of the committee on petition to circulate petitions to be sent to congress asking that federal laws be enacted against lynching. The Kansas lynching committee will investigate the Leavenworth affair and see if the state of Kansas will not offer a reward for the arrest of the murderers of Alexander. The magazine committee will ascertain if it is advisable to publish a magazine of the character contemplated. The resolutions committee will draw up resolutions in condemnation of the disgraceful affair in Kansas and the policy of the colored people of Des Moines in the future.

The next meeting will be held under the local council Tuesday evening at the Masonic hall near Fourth and Court avenue, where all the committees will report.

EX-SENATOR REVELS DEAD.

Was The First Colored Man Elected to the American Congress.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, Hon. R. Revels died in Louisiana. His first work as a minister was in the African Methodist church, but during the early '60s he was the pastor of the Madison Street Presbyterian church in Baltimore, Md. At the outbreak of the war he worked energetically in the recruiting of colored regiments. In this regard he was largely instrumental in the raising of the Fourth, Ninth, Nineteenth, Thirtieth and Thirty-ninth regiments.

He has the distinction of being the first colored man to sit in either house of congress at the age of 49, his colleague being Jas. L. Alcorn, a confederate general, February, 1870. He was born free in Fayetteville, N. C., September 1, 1822. He removed to Indiana, studied for the ministry, and was ordained a Methodist preacher. He traveled through many states preaching. After the war he settled in Natchez and became presiding elder of the African Methodist church.

He was later in life president of a college in Mississippi.

EDDYVILLE, ILL.

The first snow of the winter is falling. We have had almost perpetual sunshine this fall and winter. Mercury has not gone down to zero this winter.

Rev. Collins will hold quarterly meeting Sunday.

Ed. Blackwell spent Sunday with his best girl in Metropolis, Ill.

Mrs. Bettie Fields entertained Rev. Mack Jones, Mrs. Angeline Scott and Miss Margaret Mason at tea Thursday evening.

Rev. J. H. Ferribee left Friday for Mt. Vernon, Ill. His little daughter Ethel accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Miller entertained Revs. Mack Jones, W. H. Cole and J. H. Ferribee and Miss Margaret Mason at dinner Sunday.

Si Shaw gave a festival at his home Thursday night. A great deal of fun was had and he realized a neat little sum above expenses.

Messrs. George Miller and William Key made a business trip to Ozark Wednesday.

Little Welba McClure pulled a kettle of boiling water over on himself and was badly scalded.

Miss Mason's school has been practicing for the last day of school.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

Under any and all circumstances death is a terrible thing and nothing draws forth human sympathy as readily as the grim monster. He has been in our midst often of late and cutting down on the right and the left but at no time did his work cause more sorrow than when on last Wednesday morning about 8 o'clock Mrs. Hattie Persons fell a victim to his death dealing scythe. Although Mrs. Persons had been in poor health for some time yet no one was more aware that the end was so near. She was an exemplary Christian, being a faithful member of the A. M. E. church, and was one of the most earnest workers in the church. Her funeral took place Friday afternoon from the church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Bass. Mrs. Persons leaves to mourn her loss a loving husband and a host of relatives and friends.

Our community was shocked when the news reached us that Jesse Bell of Rock Island had been killed, as Jesse used to be a resident of the Rapids and was well known here by a large circle of friends. His wife was formerly a Cedar Rapids girl and we extend our utmost sympathy to her and family.

Mrs. Fred Martin, accompanied by Fern Martin, departed for her home in Minneapolis Monday.

Mesdames Mary L. Bowlin, Henry Davis, Etta Clay and Miss Cleopatra Van Camp attended the funeral of Jesse Bell at Iowa City Sunday.

Wm. Martin, Jr., of Moline is visiting at his parental home on South Ninth street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Labell are the happy parents of a little daughter, who made her appearance Sunday morning. We haven't heard of any cigars being passed around but can safely say they will be on the road soon.

Mrs. W. H. Mulligan continues quite sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ben Hawkins, on Seventh avenue, it being necessary to bring her in from the country on account of having medical attention, as she lived about two and a half miles out of town.

Mrs. Chas. Boone has joined the list of the many subscribers to the Bystander. We wish others would do likewise and pay for it as she has done. Stop borrowing your neighbors papers.

Father Hall of Washington, Iowa, visited in our city last week, remaining over Sunday. While here he was the guest of Rev. Ford and Henry Davis.

The la grippe seems to be quite prevalent in our little burg, several persons being stricken with it.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wade entertained Father Hall at supper Saturday evening.

Cedar Rapids is in need of a revival among our people just now, and we wonder if we are going to have one. The white churches are meeting with much success in their meetings, and we don't want to be left behind. What we need is a good old fashioned revival.

Sister Davenport certainly must be asleep or dead. She probably is not aware that this is the Twentieth century as yet. "Awake thou that sleepest" and let us hear from you.

MUCHAKINOCK.

Quarterly meeting was held at the A. M. E. church last Sunday, Rev. Bundy, presiding elder, officiating.

Rev. Ingaman of the Baptist church is at Fort Madison helping Rev. Underwood in a revival.

Buckner & Ford's Refined Specialty company showed at the opera house last Monday night to a small audience.

Mr. Sam Watkins is suffering from la grippe at this writing.

Prof. A. R. Jackson has commenced teaching piano lessons at the house, and already many are coming to his studio for instructions.

We are proud to hear of the good work that is going on at Buxton, Iowa. The people there are very industrious and it is improbable the town will be a failure as the backing is good, and the people are of a high type of morals and shortly they will have two churches there and a good school.

The secret fraternities are preparing to build a fine hall there, for the accommodation of their interest, and in a few more months Buxton will be a fine town.

Mrs. E. H. London and Mrs. Adam Dixon spent Monday and Tuesday in Buxton, Iowa, last week.

Professor H. R. Jackson will commence instructing the rest of his band at Buxton, Iowa, next week.

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CONGRESS.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Senate.—The announcement of the death of Queen Victoria today, conveyed unofficially to the senate, was recognized by that body in the adoption of an appropriate resolution which was ordered to be engrossed and forwarded to the prime minister of Great Britain. Mr. Allison offered the following resolution: "That the death of her royal and imperial majesty, Victoria, of noble virtues and great renown, is sincerely deplored by the senate of the United States of America." The resolution was adopted unanimously. During the sitting of the senate in open session, the executive, legislative and judicial appropriation bill was completed, so far as the committee amendments were concerned. It is now subject to amendment by individual senators.

House.—The house adopted a resolution expressing profound regret and sympathy for the English people on account of the death of Queen Victoria. The president was requested to communicate the expression to the British government, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the dead queen, the house immediately adjourned. Before the announcement of the death of the queen, the house passed on the bill to send to the court of claims the claim of Cramp & Sons, amounting to something over \$1,300,000.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Senate.—The senate today passed the legislative appropriation bill and resumed consideration of the shipping bill. At the instance of Frye of Maine, who relinquished the chair temporarily to take charge of the measure on the floor, it was made the unfinished business of the senate, thus restoring it to its privileged position. Vest of Missouri took the floor immediately in a characteristically brilliant, forceful and interesting speech lasting nearly three hours. He advocated free ships and vigorously attacked the navigation laws of the United States, holding that they were responsible for the decadence of the merchant marine of America.

House.—The house passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The senate resolution for the celebration of John Marshall day, February 4, was adopted. The house then took up the naval appropriation bill, sixty-five pages of which were completed.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Senate.—The senate today devoted the day to the Indian appropriation bill, and made only fair progress. The chief feature of the debate was a sharp attack made by Pettigrew on the Dawes commission, which he said was accomplishing little in the way of results. The shipping bill was not taken up.

House.—The house today considered the naval appropriation bill all day and completed it with the exception of one paragraph. The item for increase of the navy will remain as reported, namely, two battleships and two cruisers. Some opposition was manifested to an increase of the navy, and Cannon of Illinois sounded a note of warning as to the size of our annual appropriations and added that with the present appropriation \$310,000,000 would have been spent on our new navy and we should stop.

THE GOVERNMENT DEIFIED.

The Creek Indians Abandon United States Laws—Bloodshed May Follow.

Muskogee, I. T., Jan. 24.—Washington authorities have been requested to send federal troops into the Creek country to quell the uprising of full bloods, known as the Snake Band, who are creating depredations west of Eufaula and threatening the lives of Eufaula and threatening the lives of Indians. The Indians threaten to finally enter the towns and burn and kill, and Chief Melkio has sent a message of defiance to President McKinley. The whites are arming and serious bloodshed is feared.

United States Marshal Bennett sent twenty deputies and ten Indian police to the scene, but they were met by so fierce a fusillade that they were compelled to retire. One of the posse, named McNac, was captured by the Indians and it is feared that they will take his life. As a result of this effort at suppression and because of the pressure for protection brought by the whites, Marshal Bennett and Indian Agent Shoenfelt wired a message to the Washington officials requesting that federal troops to the number of five hundred be sent them. They state that it would be sure death for the deputies and police to attempt to interfere again.

Omaha, Jan. 24.—General Fitzhugh Lee, commanding the department of the Missouri, has sent telegraphic orders to the cavalry at Fort Reno, O. T., to proceed at once to the scene of the Indian trouble at Muskogee. I. T. General Lee said that beyond the press dispatches he had no information as to the intent of the Snake Indian trouble and that troops had been ordered to the reservation on advice from the war department.

King Oscar Again Rules.

Stockholm, Jan. 23.—At today's council of state King Oscar of Sweden and Norway resumed the reins of government, after his recent illness, the crown prince, Gustave, retiring from the regency which he had held while his father was incapacitated from attending to business.

Smashed Mrs. Nation in the Face.

Enterprise, Kan., Jan. 24.—Mrs. Carrie Nation arrived at Enterprise, held a meeting and later, with several W. C. T. U. women, went to Schilling's saloon and with a hatchet smashed doors and mirrors. She was hurried out by the marshal and is at liberty. Later as Mrs. Nation was lecturing on the streets, Mrs. Schilling, the wife of the saloonkeeper whose place of business was demolished, came up to her. "I've got you now," she said, and struck Mrs. Nation twice in the face. A slight gash was cut over the eye, and it bled profusely.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

NOT TO BE ASSESSED AS MERCHANT.

Supreme Court on Method of Assessing a Farmer Who Fed and Sold Stock.

Des Moines, Jan. 23.—In reversing the decision of Judge Platt of the Buchanan county district court in the case of James E. Jewell, appellee, vs. a board of trustees of Sumner township, Buchanan county, appellant, the supreme court, in an opinion written by Judge Deemer, had occasion to determine an important question as to assessment of live stock. The case was an appeal from an assessment of the plaintiff's personal property for taxation for the year 1898. The trial court reversed the action of the defendant board, which had confirmed an assessment of 550 head of sheep purchased for feeding and selling in the Chicago market. The amount of the assessment was \$777, but as petitioned by the plaintiff, the trial court cut this down to \$362, the proportionate value of the number of sheep he had on hand during the year 1897. The supreme court, in turn, reverses the trial court and holds, under the facts stated, the owner should be assessed for the entire number of animals owned by him on the first day of January. The main question at issue was whether a farmer, under such circumstances, should be assessed as a merchant, under section 1318 of the code, and the average value of his stock during the year taken as the basis for taxation. The supreme court holds he should not be considered as a merchant.

ONE OF IOWA'S FARMS.

The Farm at the Clarinda Hospital is a Paying One.

Des Moines, Jan. 23.—Henry Jones, who is in charge of the state farm at the Clarinda hospital, has just paid a visit to the board of control. There are 513 acres of ground at Clarinda, but a considerable part of this is utilized for the grounds about the institution and for gardening. Mr. Jones raised 355 hogs on the farm last year and 350 the year before. He has suffered no losses from cholera. He has at present 103 cows on the farm. The pork is all consumed at the institution and the land more than suffices to supply the hospital. "The farms at the institutions," said John Cowie, of the board of control, "are too small. The state should have made provisions for farms of from 1,200 to 1,500 acres at each hospital. There is a great amount of labor at each hospital that could be made use of profitably, but the farms are too small to permit nearly all of it to be employed."

Pay Absconder's Debts.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Daniel Taylor, of the firm of Smith, Taylor & Co. of New York, has just settled all of "Jake" Hite's accounts with the Washington banks. The shortage was close to ten thousand dollars. Mr. Taylor says Hite was a member of the firm and had their unbounded confidence. He says they will likely prosecute him if they can locate him. It is also reported that a charming "grass" widow may have accompanied the gay horse buyer. His wife and family are heart broken. Hite was the best known horse dealer in Iowa and was known almost as well throughout Illinois and Missouri. He had a beautiful home here, unlimited credit and was a devout church attendant.

Accused of Extortion.

Marshalltown, Jan. 25.—Caluse W. Reed of Zeeland and Otto Radloff, residing near here, have been arrested on the charge of extortion, preferred by Mrs. Callie LePlant. She claims that the two young men visited her home, and that Reed demanded of her that she sign a \$150 note, payable to him in sixty days, or he would have her arrested for an alleged crime. He claimed that she had been instrumental in causing the separation of himself and wife. Mrs. LePlant refused to sign the note, according to her story, and swore out the information. Extortion is a penitentiary offense.

Students Were Suspended.

Iowa City, Jan. 23.—At a meeting of the faculty of the state university an action was taken on the case of the abduction of President Stiles by ten members of the sophomore class. After long deliberation the faculty decided that the ten sophomores be suspended from the university until September 1. The report that these students were expelled was false, and was a great injustice to the faculty and the ten students named.

Lumberman Lamb Badly Hurt.

Clinton, Jan. 24.—It is learned that Artemus Lamb's injuries, sustained in the Union Pacific wreck, are much severer than at first reported. At the time of the accident he was eating in the diner. It went off the track and turned over two or three times. Mr. Lamb's condition is not dangerous. He is at the head of the big saw mills here and has extensive lumber interests in Minneapolis and other places in the lumber district.

Two Boys Missing.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Johnnie Moriarity, aged 14, and his brother, aged 9, started from their home six miles north of the city about 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, with the intention of going to school, and have not been heard from since. The community near the Moriarity home is excited over the disappearance, but the boys' parents believe they ran away voluntarily. The parents are wealthy and prominent and some believe it a case of kidnapping.

Confesses to Stealing \$2,000.

Hampton, Jan. 21.—Jack Hanson, a brakeman employed by the Chicago Great Western railroad, was arrested, charged with stealing a registered package containing \$2,000 from a mail car at this place on Monday last. The money was found in the cellar of Hanson's home. Hanson has confessed.

Petz Pleads Not Guilty.

Cedar Rapids, Jan. 3.—George Petz arrested for stabbing Will Higginson to death, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty. George Johnson, his alleged accessory, is still in jail in default of \$5,000 bonds, held as a witness.

TRIED A PAT CROWE DEAL.

Banker at West Point Asked to Give Up \$5,000 or Be Burned Out.

West Point, Jan. 23.—J. W. Crackenbaum, a local banker, received a mysterious letter demanding \$5,000 and threatened to burn him out if he did not comply. The letter was in a disguised hand and of the Pat Crowe style. The banker was directed to drive out to a point a mile and a quarter from town in a lonely spot and leave the money in a bag on the bridge. Banker Crackenbaum took advice on the subject and determined not to comply with the demand. Guards were stationed about his premises to prevent incendiarism and the guard will be maintained a month.

Fort Madison, Jan. 24.—George Wolf of West Point, this county, was landed in jail here, the warrant for his arrest having been sworn out by Frederick Kriekenbaum, president of the West Point bank, charging him with an attempt to extort money. Kriekenbaum received a letter ordering him to deposit \$5,000 at a certain place under the Pitman creek bridge, a short distance from town, on a certain date. The letter stated that unless the money was forthcoming certain properties owned by the banker would be burned. The letter was compared with different handwritings and was found to correspond with writings of Wolf which were in the possession of the bank, conveying convincing evidence that Wolf was the writer of the anonymous threatening letter. Wolf was born and raised in West Point, and is about 23 years old. He was arrested and indicted a few months ago for complicity in the murder of an old man, Henneberger, who was foully murdered in his own house at midnight for the purpose of robbery. He was acquitted on the trial of the case.

Valuable Almanac Free.

We have received a copy of the new almanac for 1901 published by the Royal Baking Powder Co. It is an artistic and useful book and will be of interest to housekeepers. A noteworthy feature of the almanac is a prediction of the weather for every day of the year, by Prof. DeVoe, who correctly prophesied the great Galveston cyclone and other important meteorological events. We are authorized to say that any woman reader of this paper can secure a copy without cost by sending a request to the company, at 100 William St., New York.

NOW IN HANDS OF THE COURT.

Titus Amendment Appeal Case Submitted to Supreme Court.

Des Moines, Jan. 24.—The Titus amendment case was formally submitted to the supreme court yesterday, and a decision on this much-involved controversy is expected in the course of the next ten days. For four hours the court heard the oral arguments, the court room during both forenoon and afternoon being crowded with spectators, both from Des Moines and from various parts of the state.

The court took up the case at once, on convening at 9 o'clock. The opening argument was presented by A. B. Cummins of Des Moines, who argued for the validity of the measure. Marsh W. Bailey of Washington, the plaintiff in the district court of Washington county, and now appellee, followed Mr. Cummins, taking the position the amendment was unconstitutional. Milton Remley, ex-attorney general, made the third argument, holding the amendment should be construed according to intent and the terms of the old officers were not extended. These three arguments occupied the forenoon. From 2 o'clock to 2:30 S. W. Brookhart of Washington, the appellant in the case, made an argument for the validity and literal construction of the amendment, and from 2:30 to 3 o'clock C. A. Irwin of Sioux City presented arguments on the same side of the question.

A CHILD GROUND TO PIECES.

Horrible Accident Witnessed by Grief Stricken Mother.

Waterloo, Jan. 25.—Willie Fry, six years old, son of Henry Fry, was struck by a double header train on the Chicago Great Western railroad here and instantly killed. Both engines passed over the body and it was cut in two and horribly mangled. The horrible accident occurred at a place on the road but a few feet from the home of the boy, and the mother stood on the porch and watched the sight of her child being ground to death under the wheels of the train. She ran to the scene of the accident and threw herself down on the lifeless trunk of her boy and became crazed with grief. The boy's older sister had crossed the track just ahead of him to buy some buttermilk from a milkman, and the child attempted to follow her and was caught.

Object to Machine Goods.

Sioux City, Jan. 25.—Representative candy makers from Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Missouri and South Dakota met and decided to make a covenant among themselves that they would not put in one of the new chocolate drop machines that are being introduced into the east. The machines cost \$3,000 each, but have a capacity of 3,500 pounds each day, the work of forty girls. This action means the retention of about 10,000 girls in the six states named in their present employment.

Saved to Pieces.

Ottumwa, Jan. 24.—Jesse Durbin was thrown on the revolving circular saw at the Ollie saw mill and literally sawed to pieces, both legs and one arm and part of the skull being saved off.

Martin Was Tired of Life.

Ottumwa, Jan. 25.—Andrew Martin, a well known farmer 23 years of age, living eight miles north of this city, attempted suicide by shooting himself in the head. The deed was committed on the public highway. Parties living near the scene heard the shot and going to where it came from, found Martin, who was not yet dead. He was revived at a farmer's house and admitted that he had shot himself, giving as the reason that he was tired of life. Martin had only been married two weeks. Hopes are entertained for his recovery.

NEWS IN GENERAL

PROCLAIM EDWARD KING.

Proclamation Read at Various Places in the City of London.

London, Jan. 25.—London yesterday was given a glimpse of mediaeval times. The quaint ceremonies with which King Edward VII was proclaimed at various points of the metropolis exactly followed ancient precedent. The officials purposely arranged the function an hour ahead of the published announcement and the inhabitants, when they awoke, were surprised to find the entire way between St. James palace and the city lined with troops. About 10,000 soldiers, life guards, horse guards, foot guards and other cavalry and infantry regiments had been brought from Aldershot and London barracks after midnight. All the officers had crepe on their arms, and the drums and brass instruments were shrouded with crepe. The troops in themselves made an imposing spectacle, but they were entirely eclipsed by the strange spectacle presented by the officials of the college of arms.

The ceremony began at St. James palace, where at 9 o'clock Edward VII was proclaimed king of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and emperor of India. The proclamation, which was read by William Henry Weldon, king-at-arms since 1894, and formerly Windsor herald, was as follows:

"Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to call to his mercy our late sovereign, Lady Queen Victoria, of blessed and glorious memory, by whose decease the imperial crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is solely and rightfully come to the high and mighty Prince Albert Edward, we, therefore, the lords spiritual and temporal of this realm, being here assisted with those of her late majesty's privy council, with numbers of other principal gentlemen of quality, the lord mayor, aldermen and citizens of London, do now hereby with one voice consent of tongue and heart to publish and proclaim that the high and mighty Prince Albert Edward is now, by the death of our late sovereign of happy memory, become our only lawful and rightful liege lord, Edward VII, by the grace of God, king of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, defender of the faith, emperor of India to whom we acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with all hearty and humble affection, beseeching God, by whom all kings and queens do reign, to bless the Royal Prince Edward VII with long and happy years to reign over us."

MONTREAL'S COSTLY FIRE

Buildings Destroyed Valued at Almost \$3,000,000.

Montreal, Jan. 24.—One of the most destructive fires from which this city has ever suffered began at 8 o'clock last night, and notwithstanding the efforts of the entire fire department, the progress of the flames was not checked until 1 o'clock this morning. By that time it had destroyed property valued at between \$2,500,000 and \$3,000,000, and was still burning, though the appearance was that the firemen have at last got it under control.

Included in the property burned is the splendid Board of Trade building, which cost over half a million dollars, with over a hundred tenants and a half dozen large firms and two scores of small concerns. Outside of the Board of Trade building there was not a modern structure among those burned. The narrow streets, antiquated buildings and the inflammable nature of the stocks they contained, made a combination which the department was powerless to overcome. The fire practically burned until it came to an open space, which gave the firemen an opportunity for effective work.

CORONATION IS FAR DISTANT.

Court Gazette Indicates It Will Not Take Place Until 1902.

London, Jan. 25.—An extraordinary gazette publishes an order in council, that "it is expected that all persons upon the present occasion, the death of her late majesty of blessed and meritorious memory, will put themselves into the deepest mourning." Another order in council substitutes "king" for "queen" and "Edward" for "Victoria" in the prayer book. It also inserts "Our gracious queen Alexandra; George, Duke of Cornwall and York, and the Duchess of Cornwall and York."

The fact that the court goes into mourning for a year, and the further fact that the public is enjoined to go into the "deepest" mourning, lead to the supposition that the coronation will not occur until 1902.

The instruction that the Duke of York is to be named in the prayer book "Duke of Cornwall" seems to throw light upon the much debated question of the heir apparent's title. It was supposed that the title "Prince of Wales," which belongs only to a son born of the king, would be conferred upon the Duke of York by royal patent; but the gazette announcement seems to indicate that this will not be done, and that the Duke of York will henceforth be known as the Duke of Cornwall.

May Be Murdered.

Creston, Jan. 22.—W. McPherson, a wealthy farmer, lies at the point of death as a result of a terrific fight between him and W. M. McGraw, a neighbor. It was an old quarrel. McPherson was trampled and beaten almost to death.

GUILTY OF MURDER.

Patterson, N. J., Jan. 19.—Walter C. McAllister, Andrew J. Campbell and William Death, three of the four persons indicted for the murder of Jennie Bosscheter, a mill girl, who was murdered on the night of October 18 last, were last night adjudged guilty of murder in the second degree. According to the law the maximum penalty for the crime is thirty years' imprisonment. The jury took fourteen ballots. When the verdicts were announced the prisoners evinced neither elation nor relief. Judge Dixon said he believed the verdict a just one.

KING EDWARD VII RULES

Albert Edward Succeeds to the British Throne.

London, Jan. 24.—An extraordinary issue of the Gazette this morning, which appears with black borders, announces the death of Queen Victoria, adding:

"The event has caused one universal feeling of regret and sorrow to her late majesty's faithful subjects, to whom she was endeared by the deep interest in their welfare which she invariably manifested, as well as by many signal virtues which marked and adorned her character."

Then follows the proclamation of Edward VII., the acknowledgement of allegiance by the privy council and the king's speech at his accession. "Your Royal Highness, My Lords and Gentlemen: This is the most painful occasion on which I shall ever be called upon to address you. My first and melancholy duty is to announce to you the death of my beloved mother, the queen, and I know how deeply you and the whole nation, and, I think, I may say the whole world, sympathize with me in the irreparable loss we have all sustained."

"I need hardly say that my constant endeavor will be always to walk in her footsteps."

"In undertaking the heavy load which now devolves upon me, I am fully determined to be a constitutional sovereign in the strictest sense of the word, and so long as there is breath in my body to work for the good and amelioration of my people."

"I have resolved to be known by the name of Edward, which has been borne by six of my ancestors. In doing so, I do not undervalue the name of Albert, which I inherit from my ever-to-be-lamented, great and wise father, who, by universal consent, I think, deservedly known by the name of Albert the Good, and I desire that his name should stand alone."

"In conclusion I trust to parliament and the nation to support me in the arduous duties which now devolve upon me by inheritance, and to which I am determined to devote my whole strength during the remainder of my life."

After giving a list of those who attended the council, the Gazette announces that the king subscribed to the oath relating to the security of the church of Scotland.

It concludes with the king's formal proclamation ordering all officers and persons in authority throughout his dominions to exercise their offices during the royal pleasure and exhorting his subjects to aid and assist such officers in the performance and execution of their duties.

The Gazette orders the court to go into mourning until July 24, and into half mourning until January 24, 1902. Lord Roberts has ordered the army to adopt mourning until March 5.

After the king had taken the oath he proceeded to Buckingham palace and later to Marlborough house, where he spent the night.

In the house of commons and the house of lords the oath was taken by the members after which the houses adjourned.

At 4:03 p. m. the artillery began firing salutes in James park to signalize King Edward's accession to the throne. The various naval and military stations fired a salute of eighty-one guns at midnight—to signalize the death of the queen, one gun for each completed year of the queen's age. Dense crowds thronged the streets through which the king passed to and from St. James palace.

The royal proclamation by the earl marshal will be heralded at St. James palace and the other customary centers tomorrow, and will forthwith be published in the Gazette.

CHOCTAWS JOIN CREEKS.

Indian Uprising Assumes More Serious Proportions.

South McAlester, I. T., Jan. 25.—The reports of the Choctaw uprising are fully confirmed. Scouts sent out from this city report that the disaffected Choctaws have a number of Creek Snakes among them and they have been quietly organizing and arming for some time. They call themselves Choctaw Snakes. They comprise all those Indians who are opposed to allotment, and the conflict is between them and the treaty Indians. While non-citizens are not in danger, it is stated that the Snakes have planned to destroy all the railroads in their nation by burning bridges and section houses on a preconcerted night.

They have deposed Governor Duke and issued an order to all citizens to cease leasing or renting to whites. The first offense they will punish with fifty lashes, they say; ears will be cut off for the second offense and death for the third. They have organized and have leaders in every Choctaw county, and claim to have a membership of 2,600.

United States Marshal Grady has sent the leaders word that arrests will follow the first violation of the law, no matter what may be the result. He has wired the department for permission to swear in special deputies and if this is granted, he says he will be able to handle them and will not ask for troops.

Gen. Colville Punished.

London, Jan. 19.—The Gazette this evening announces that Major General Sir Henry Edward Colville, who recently commanded the Ninth division of the South African field force and later was in command of an infantry brigade at Gibraltar, has been placed on the retired list with pay.

Claims Will Not Be Paid.

Manila, Jan. 24.—The disallowance by the military board of the claims of Holman & Co., merchants of Manila, for damage to and destruction of property during the period of appeasement, which findings have been approved by General MacArthur, establishes a precedent against recompensing for similar property losses in the territory in which the war operations were conducted. Some claims, notably that of the Manila and Daguupan railroad, which are now before the board, will probably go to the court of claims at Washington, and possibly eventually to congress.

VICTORIA DEAD

Passes Peacefully Away, Surrounded by Her Family.

London, Jan. 22.—7:03 p. m.—A telegram from the Prince of Wales to the Lord Mayor, timed at Osborne, 6:45 p. m., says the queen has passed away. The text of the Prince of Wales' dispatch to the Lord Mayor is as follows:

Osborne House, Jan. 22, 6:45 p. m.—My beloved mother has just passed away, surrounded by her children and grandchildren.

ALBERT EDWARD. Queen Victoria is dead and Edward VII. reigns.

The greatest event in the memory of this generation, the most stupendous changes in existing conditions that could possibly be imagined, has taken place quietly, almost gently, upon the anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria's father, the Duke of Kent.

The end of this career, never equalled by any woman in the world's history, came in a simply furnished room in Osborne house. The most respected of all women, living or dead, lay in a great four-posted bed and made a shrunken atom, whose aged face and figure were a cruel mockery of the fair girl who in 1837 began to rule over England.

Around her were gathered almost every descendant of her line. Well within view of her dying eyes there hung a portrait of the prince consort. It was he who designed the room and every part of the castle.

In scarcely audible words, the white-haired bishop of Winchester prayed beside her, as he had often prayed beside her sovereign, for he was her chaplain at Windsor. With bowed heads the imperious ruler of the German empire and the man who is now King of England, the woman who has succeeded to the title of queen, the princes and princesses, and those of less than royal designation listened to the bishop's ceaseless prayer.

Six o'clock passed. The bishop continued his intercession. One of the younger children asked a question in shrill, childish treble, and was immediately silenced. The women of this royal family sobbed faintly and the men shuffled uneasily.

At exactly half past 6 Sir James Reid held up his hand, and the people in the room knew that England had lost her queen. The bishop pronounced the benediction.

The queen passed away quite peacefully. She suffered no pain. Those who were now mourners went to their rooms.

The body of Queen Victoria was embalmed and will probably be taken to Windsor on Saturday. The coffin arrived last evening from London.

It was thought that the queen was dying about 3 o'clock in the afternoon and carriages were sent to Osborne cottage and the rectory to bring all the princes and princesses and the bishop of Winchester to the bedside. It seemed then very near the end, but when things looked worst the queen had one of her lies, due to her wonderful constitution, opened her eyes, and recognized the Prince of Wales, the prince of Prussia, Emperor William, the prince of Bulgaria, and the prince of Serbia. She asked for one of her faithful servants, a member of the royal household. He hastened to the room, but before he got there the queen had passed into a fitful sleep.

The Prince of Wales was very much affected when the doctors at last informed him that his mother had breathed her last. Emperor William, himself deeply affected, did his best to minister comfort to his sorrow-stricken uncle, whose new dignity he was the first to acknowledge.

For several weeks the queen had been failing. On Monday last she summoned Lord Roberts and asked him some very searching questions regarding the war in South Africa. On Tuesday she went for a drive, but was visibly affected. On Wednesday she suffered a paralytic stroke, accompanied by intense physical weakness. It was her first illness in 81 years, and she would not admit it. Then her condition grew so serious that, against her wishes, the family were summoned. When they arrived her reason had partially succumbed to paralysis and weakness.

President's Message of Condolence.

Washington, Jan. 23.—President McKinley sent the following message of condolence to King Edward VII:

Washington, Jan. 23.—His Majesty, the King, Osborne House, Isle of Wight: I have received with profound sorrow the lamentable tidings of the death of her majesty, the queen. Allow me, sir, to offer my sincere sympathy and that of the American people in your personal bereavement and the loss Great Britain has suffered in the death of its venerable and illustrious sovereign whose noble life and beneficent influence have promoted the peace and won the affection of the world.

WILLIAM McKINLEY.

Parliament Called.

London, Jan. 23.—Shortly before midnight an official announcement was issued, calling parliament to assemble at 4 o'clock this (Wednesday) afternoon to enable the members of the house of lords and house of commons to take the oath of allegiance to King Edward VII.

Shot Through the Heart.

Dubuque, Jan. 23.—Frances Quinn, a girl of 13, accidentally shot herself at Elkader through the heart with a revolver, which was lying on a dresser. She died in a few minutes.

Organ grinders have struck a snag in Boston. In that city there is an ordinance which gives the right to any citizen to object to an organ grinder playing his instrument within three hundred feet of the objector's residence. If the musician fails to move on, the police are required to enforce the law.

Chicago footpads are audacious and ingenious. Two of them despoiled a helpless woman of her purse and fled, pursued by a dozen citizens. When the highwayman had lured the pursuers to a comparatively deserted street, they turned at bay, and held up the entire dozen, not leaving a nickel in any of their pockets.



MISS FRANCES M. ANDERSON, daughter of HON. JUDGE ANDERSON, of Virginia, is at present in Washington, D. C., as Corresponding Secretary of the Higher Educational League, of that city. Cured of la grippe by Peruna.

MISS FRANCES M. ANDERSON, Corresponding Secretary of the Higher Educational League, writes from the "Astoria," Washington, D. C., the following:

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La grippe is, strictly speaking, epidemic catarrh—that is to say, a variety of acute catarrh which is so contagious and runs a course more or less definite, the same as scarlet fever, whooping cough, etc.

During the acute stages of la grippe it is not a very fatal disease, but the condition in which it leaves the system has caused the death of a countless number.

Indeed nearly every person who has had la grippe within the last three years finds himself more or less deranged by the pernicious effects of this disease. The majority of those who have escaped death find life scarcely worth living.

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"My wife improved in health very much after taking Peruna."—Samuel M. York.

Miss Caroline J. Kahl, Otisco, Ind., writes as follows:

"Three years I had la grippe and pulmonary trouble. I was very sick. I had hemorrhages of the lungs nearly every day for a year and three bottles of your Peruna cured me. The doctor said I had consumption. I am now in better health than I have been for many years."

"I highly recommend Peruna to all my neighbors and friends. Peruna is my favorite medicine. I shall always have Peruna in the house."—Miss Caroline J. Kahl.

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In the Fowler's Snare

By M. B. MANWELL

CHAPTER I.

"The dear boy! It is almost too good to be true! By this time they must be married, and Temple-Dene is saved!" Lady Jane Templeton sat tapping her feet restlessly on the floor, her dark-blue eyes flashing and sparkling as again and again she read over a closely written letter spread out upon her lap.

Good news—the best of all news—had come that day to the old home of the Templetons. The long, weary years of grinding poverty were at an end. More, the utter ruin that threatened Temple-Dene was averted once and for all. Little wonder, then, that Lady Jane's eyes danced, and her mouth twitched with unaccustomed smiles.

"I must tell somebody!" she went on agitatedly. And she stretched out her hand to the bell handle.

"Send Miss Leila to me, Somers," she looked round to say to the footman who answered the summons.

While Lady Jane waited a slightly anxious pucker came into her brow. There's bound to be a shadow behind each human joy, however bright, and it would be a difficult task for her to tell the good news to the "somebody" whom she had summoned.

It was a cheerless, cold December day—the first of the month. From the distant belt of the Temple-Dene woods a faint mist was rising.

Could the blue skies and the warm sun ever have laughed down on a world so dun and sodden? Would they ever again break through the gray pall of sadness?

A slim figure of a girl, with hurt, bewildered eyes and a drooping mouth, was moving listlessly along the corridor in obedience to the footman's message, and in Leila Desmond's eyes the gray day seemed to fit in with her own "sorrow-shot" heart. She shall be yours always. So, Leila, the good news travels in a widening circle, and reaches one and all of us."

"You sent for me, aunty?" She parted the heavy, faded blue-plush portiere between the south and the east drawing rooms, and looked straight at Lady Jane.

"Oh, Leila, yes!" Her ladyship started and she spoke nervously. "Quick! How slowly you move, child! Come and sit here by me." She patted the blue-satin couch on which she sank.

Everything about and around the mistress of Temple-Dene was blue—pale blue—for Lady Jane had been a blonde beauty of the fairest order in her palmy youth.

Time had faded the hangings and satin coverings, the frilled cushions and the hue of her own once rich robe, for Lady Jane Templeton was a miserably poor woman. Evil days had come upon her and her belongings, but they had not quenched the proud woman's spirit as they had that of her husband, Francis Templeton, the dreary, broken man, who sat all his days in the library, a victim to a form of melancholy.

The masterful spirit of the woman had never rested, seeking a way out of the dark cloud that shrouded Temple-Dene. All her hopes of deliverance from sheer ruin were placed in Gervis, the heir and only child she and Francis Templeton ever had.

By day and night she had spent her energies in rousing Gervis to the rescue of his family.

So the words that had trembled on the lips of Gervis Templeton day after day were unspoken after all. From boyhood his heart had been filled with one image—that of the girl, Leila Desmond, his mother's eldest niece. They were orphans—Leila and Sybil—daughters of Lady Jane's passionately loved younger brother. When he died his sister gathered the desolate children, motherless as well as fatherless, into her home, bringing them up and educating them.

But the instant the mother recognized that the girl, Leila, had grown to be the one woman in the world for her son the springs of love for her brother's orphan froze up. She almost hated Leila, even after she had gained her point and separated the two lovers. But it was Lady Jane's hour of triumph, and she could today at least afford to be gracious.

"Come, my dear Leila," she repeated, "I have news—great news—from my boy."

A shock of fear ran through the girl, who had crept slowly up to the faded blue couch.

Lady Jane, busily engaged adjusting her eye glasses and spreading out the foreign letter on her lap, did not observe blanching cheeks and trembling lip.

"I have heard from Gervis. A wonderful thing has happened, Leila. You will be astonished. My boy is engaged. He has met a sweet girl in San Francisco—a great heiress; and—and—well, I suppose they are actually married, for the wedding was fixed for the last day in November. This is the first of the month, so, if all is well, they are married. Can you believe it, Leila? And, child, Temple-Dene is saved. Her money will redeem the dear old home. Oh, how good God is!"

Lady Jane's voice ended in a choking sound. She was honestly, from her very heart, sending up a thanksgiving for what she thought a crowning mercy.

The words rang through the brain of the listener.

God was possibly good to some folk—to Aunt Jane, for instance, and to the happy girl-heiress whose gold had bought up Leila's own heritage; but God seemed terribly cruel to her. He had stripped and robbed her of all that made life sweet and fair. So Leila sat dumb, twisting her slim, small fingers together on her lap; and Lady Jane's jubilant voice went on in her ears.

"Such a letter, my dear, brimful of all particulars and details. Everything I wanted to know is set down clearly. Dear boy, what a head he has for business! The settlements are most generous—quite extraordinary. If she dies without heirs, everything absolutely goes to Gervis; if he dies first, Temple-Dene is hers, supposing there is no heir. So in any case Temple-Dene is saved, and my life-prayer granted."

"It seems to be a good bargain for both."

Leila spoke at last, and her voice sounded harsh and bitter though the elder lady did not notice it.

"A splendid bargain," she was repeating, in all innocence. "And, you see, Gervis was able to arrange the settlements himself without delaying, for I suppose you know, Leila, that Temple-Dene is already the dear boy's own by mortgage. All his uncle's money left to Gervis was swallowed up in it when he came of age; but that was, after all, a drop in the ocean of debts and difficulties."

"However, all that misery is now at an end. This dear girl's wealth will set the old place on its feet. My poor husband's life is a frail thread now, nigh spun out; but Gervis will see to it that my future is an assured one. And, of course, that in its turn touches yourself and little Sybil. My home shall be yours always. So, Leila, the good news travels in a widening circle, and reaches one and all of us."

Lady Jane laid her hand on the girl's shoulder, but Leila shrunk away quickly.

"I shall be able now to take you out, my dear. You shall see the world and marry well. I shall manage that, never doubt it. Oh, how life has changed all in an hour! I can scarcely realize it that all the money worries are to be smoothed out. But my poor Francis! If he could only have held out as I have done. Indeed, he will not even comprehend the glad news when I carry it to him. Leila, they say there's a black shadow to every joy. What if—that if my poor husband's mind goes altogether? It would be better far if God took him!"

Lady Jane stood up, shuddering with horror.

"I must go to him—Francis must be told." With a rustle of her faded silk skirts she left the room; but Leila sat on, clasping and unclasping her fingers ceaselessly.

Gervis married! For this girl the end of the world has come, then. To another belonged the right of loving her lover. Yes, he had been hers. Of that, at least, she could never be robbed. Leila, hurt and "sorrow-shot" to the soul, felt bitter and sore.

For the last couple of years—ever since the girl awoke to the knowledge that Gervis loved her—life had been a dream of happiness, into which no ray of doubt had crept. Then came the crash of all fair hopes in the knowledge that the love-dream must end. And now Gervis was married. With a moan Leila would have risen from the couch, but a pair of soft arms held her down.

"Darling sis," a breathless, quick voice said, "I know! I have heard the news. Aunty has just told me. I could kill him, I could! I hope all the sorrows and griefs in the world will come upon him and her, too. I hope they will be unhappy ever after!"

The hot words came raining fiercely, and a young face, working convulsively, was pressed against Leila's ice-cold cheek.

It was Sybil, the younger sister, warped alike in mind and body, for the girl was deformed. A careless nurse had dropped the tender infant on the flagstones in the hall, injuring her spine irremediably. Never would Sybil Desmond walk this earth straight and tall; and she had grown up with a wild, distorted frame of mind at enmity with all mankind—all save the idolized sister, who was all the world to poor, misshapen Sybil.

CHAPTER II.

"And you're going to take me to England for Christmas, to your own home, Gervis?"

"To our home, my wife. You must learn to say 'ours,' not 'yours,' Gladys."

A newly made husband and wife sat hand-in-hand in the handsome place car of a train speeding over the Canadian Pacific railway. Outside was the white world of new-fallen snow, while in the car, with its mirrors, its inlaid furniture, its flowers and fruit, its silken hangings, and its scented warmth, the atmosphere was like midsummer.

They had been married but a few weeks, these heedless, happy lovers, and the honeymoon had not as yet waned. For the young pair the course of true love had flowed with a smoothness altogether unprecedented.

There had been the first meeting, when the good looking, tall young Englishman, upon whom all eyes were turned with admiration, first encountered the slim, round-eyed heiress of Hiram Fairweather, the Chicago man, whose corner in iron had made him world-famous.

Gladys's mourning for the dead father had only just blended into tender grays and virginal whites, and the girl, liberally adorned otherwise with shy blushes, cunning dimples and happy smiles, was entering the widely welcoming arms of society.

Gervis Templeton was the first Englishman of good birth Gladys had as yet known. Hiram Fairweather's "boom of luck" had not come in time for him to take his place in the top-most circles of American society.

It had arrived all too late for the patient, meek helpmate who was lying in a shady corner of a country churchyard, with tired, hard-working hands folded restfully.

It had come too late to polish their only child into a fashionable lady by means of a European education; but Gladys was young—scarcely nineteen—and rarely dainty of face and form, so society willingly accepted the rose, uncultured as it was, and petted her unstintingly. But society could not keep its new idol for long.

After the first shy look, the first few stammering words, Gladys had no longer a heart to boast of, though she herself was innocently ignorant of the fact. For this girl there would never be any other man than the chivalrous English stranger whom fate had introduced into her life. No other love could ever take the place of that which filled her veins with its blissful ecstasy. Her simple heart secret was an open page—Gladys knew no guile wherewith to hide it.

The astute dame of fashion who, for a certain handsome sum allowed by the trustees of the wealthy heiress, took Gladys under her wing, contented herself with smiling blandly at the pretty love scene going on under her eyes.

"Happy's the wooing that's not long a-doing," Gervis Templeton did not let the grass grow under his feet until he had secured the matrimonial prize of the hour.

And, to do this young Englishman justice, he fully meant to "have and to hold . . . to love and to cherish," this fair, sweet woman whom he had won, until death should part them.

"He's got what he came over here for," moodily said one of many disappointed swains.

"That's so," observed another. "It's always like that. Those dandy English chaps have only to throw the handkerchief, and the richest of our heiresses, as well as the smartest of our summer girls, are at their feet. Bah! It's sickening!"

"Oh, come," broke in a kindlier spirit, "surely it's not so barefaced as all that? Though, now I think of it, he does not seem over-head-and-ears in love with that little Fairweather girl. There's a look in his eyes as if he had missed the chief aim in life, and consequently didn't much care how things went."

Perhaps the last speaker was not wide of the mark. Gervis Templeton certainly had a past of his own locked carefully away—honorably away now.

For the young man meant the vows he took upon himself when he and trembling, shy Gladys stood together at the altar. He would love and serve as well as he could the sweet, young helpmate God was trusting to his care. Never should she know, if he could help it, that she had come second, not first, into his heart to remain there.

So another youthful pair set out for weal or for woe—who might say as yet?

(To be continued.)

STORIETTES.

One night, at the Garrick club, a number of the members were discussing the merits of a new Hamlet who had appeared that evening. W. S. Gilbert had taken no part in the arguments, for or against. At last one of the others ventured: "Well, Gilbert, what do you think of his Hamlet?" "Oh," responded the witty librettist, "I think it was funny without being vulgar."

According to the testimony of an American correspondent in Porto Rico, we still woefully lack popularity among the natives there. This is his description of the manner in which a suit, to which an American is a party, is conducted in one of the insular courts there: Court—"You are the plaintiff in this case?" Liti-gant—"Yes, your honor?" Court—"You are an American, I presume?" Liti-gant—"Yes, your honor." Court—"You lose."

"Macaulay improves, Macaulay improves!" Sydney Smith remarked one day: "I have observed in him of late flashes of—silence." The "satirical vivacity" of this enormous talker nettled Smith, who found it impossible often to voice his own wit and wisdom. "I wish I could write poetry like you," he complained to a friend: "I would write an 'Inferno,' and I would put Macaulay among a number of disputants and gag him!" Another contemporary described Macaulay as "slopping all over on every subject and standing in the slops."

Among the clever epigrams which occur in Mrs. Craigie's new society drama, "The Wisdom of the Wise," which is now being performed in London by George Alexander, are: "Mrs. Bistern has made so many experiments that she has had no time to gain experience." "What a man has done bores everybody, but what he is going to do is always delightful." "I hate a man who can only love those whom he esteems. He always runs away with his friend's wife." "It is easy enough to be faithful to some one you don't love—that, in my opinion, is true virtue." "Where is Sarah now? In bed with ice on her temples! She may be a woman for a crisis, but we have to know it for weeks afterward."

The late Henry Russell, the veteran English composer of "Cheer, Boys, Cheer," and of more than eight hundred other songs which were popular in their day, had many amusing experiences when he sang his ballads on various occasions. Once, after rendering "Woodman, Spare That Tree," a gentleman rose in the gallery and asked, "Was the tree spared?" On being answered in the affirmative, he, with a sigh of heartfelt relief, exclaimed: "Thank God for that!" After singing the song of "The Dog Carlo," who jumped off an Atlantic liner and saved a child's life, Russell was gravely waited upon by a couple of Yorkshire miners, who begged him for a pup. One of Russell's songs, of which the words were tered conditions, is our national air changed in accordance with the al-chem, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."

No man is so obstinate as to refuse to give an automobile the right of way.

LITERARY NOTES.

In Outing for January Charles G. D. Roberts contributes one of his incomparable nature sketches, "The Moonlight Trails." Guy Wetmore Carryl tells of, and Hy S. Watson illustrates, "The Automobile in French Recreative Life." Horace Kephart gives practical advice on "Rifles for Big Game."

"There's Only One New York," and the hero of the first of a series of sketches of "Some Americans Abroad," which appears in the January Century, makes frequent reference to that fact. Charles Battell Loomis met his homesick fellow-countryman abroad last summer and submits his case for the commiseration of all good Americans.

In the January Atlantic R. B. Johnson gives an admirable summary of the year's results in his Letter from England. He touches on the Boer war and its consequences, the deaths of the year. The great productions, literary, scientific and artistic, are graphically summed up and the future of the coming year suggested.

Mrs. Jill, one of the three famous editors of the Domestic Department of the Ladies' Home Journal, will contribute to that magazine during the coming year a series of illustrated lessons in marketing, showing to a woman's eye in photographs what has hitherto only been explained in type. Several pictorial pages will show just the thing to do at market—in fact reduce market-going to a simple science, shorn of vexations.

An attractive and characteristic feature of The World's Work for January is an article by Henry Harrison Lewis, describing "A Day's Work on a Snow Plough," as it is to be witnessed on the mountain division of the Canadian Pacific Railway. How man and the machine combine to do successful battle with the great storms which yearly sweep the Rockies is set forth in graphic fashion.

The February number of McClure's Magazine contains a graphic narrative of Hernando de Soto and his discovery of the Mississippi, by Cyrus Townsend Brady, whose powers in picturesque and adequate historical writing have won him so much esteem from the reading public. The article is fully illustrated.

In the February number of The Delineator is an article of great interest, written by Laura B. Starr, as the result of a journey across the ocean with Madame Gaski, the opera-singer. Madame Gaski's description of the difficulties and thorns that beset the way of those who aspire to operatic honors, will be very interesting to all women and most men.

The Hon. Hugh L. Lusk writes in the January Review of Reviews on "The Australian Commonwealth." Its People, Resources and Outlook," giving a good outline of the situation in the new federation at the moment of launching.

Highest Chimney in World.

Antwerp has the highest chimney in the world. It belongs to the Silver Works company and is 410 feet high. The interior diameter is 25 feet at the base and 11 feet at the top.

Artificial Nutrients Analyzed.

A German chemist has analyzed the artificial nutrients that are made in Belgium in large quantities. They include various vegetables and 20 per cent of mineral substances.

Sickness and death always bring misery, and frequently financial embarrassment. The cost of first-class funerals has constantly grown until it falls with crushing weight upon people in moderate circumstances. Death comes to us all, and the wise man provides in advance for meeting the expense of his own funeral or the members of his family. The Des Moines Funeral Reform Association has been organized for the purpose of providing first-class funerals for its members at a moderate cost, and thus avoid hardship. Any person may become a member of the Association for a period of ten years for the sum of \$1.00, and as such member will be entitled, in case of death in his family, to a well trimmed casket, the use of a hearse, five hacks, the under taker's services and chairs, for the sum of \$45.00. Do not rob yourself or the living members of your family for the purpose of having a respectable funeral, but join this Association and get the best the city affords at the small cost specified above.

MT. PLEASANT.

Mrs. Wm. Spotts of Chicago is visiting with her mother Mrs. Dorch on South Jefferson street.
Those suffering from the la grippe are Mrs. E. Jones, Mrs. J. H. Ferribee, Mrs. D. Harrison, Mr. M. Mosley, Mrs. G. Logan and Mrs. D. Taylor.
The young ladies of the A. M. E. Sunday school are preparing to give an entertainment in February for the organ benefit.
Messrs. McQuay and Lastly have gone to Winfield.
The Y. M. C. A. are holding revival meetings at East End mission.
The Stewardess gave an entertainment last week at the A. M. E. church.
An entertainment was given Thursday evening at June's hall under the auspices of Mrs. McNeal and Mrs. Mosley.

MUSCATINE.

Rev. Gordon had a touch of la grippe last week.
The carpet rag sewing at the home of Mrs. Rosetta Watson last Thursday was well attended and enjoyed by all present. A splendid supper was served at 7:15 o'clock.
Mr. S. Barnes is able to be at work again after a few days' illness.
Mrs. G. W. Pearson and children of Rock Island are in the city visiting relatives.
The Fontella club will give a reception at the home of Mrs. F. Walker, Tuesday evening, January 22.
Those on the sick list are Messrs. I. P. Johnson, Robert Patterson and Mrs. Martin Lee.
There will be a social at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening.
Mrs. Louise Robertson left for her home in Cincinnati last week.
Mrs. Wm. Day of Davenport arrived in the city last week.
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ROCK ISLAND AND TRI-CITY.

Mrs. Henry Burris, who has been quite ill, has improved greatly. Her many friends will be glad to see her out again.
Mr. William Moore has purchased a pretty cottage out on Fourteenth avenue and moved his family into it last week. We are always glad to see our people own their homes.
The Odd Fellows of Davenport held their public installation Thursday evening, January 17. Lawryed Woodson and J. Dixon of Muchaknock were present to assist in installing the officers for the Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth. A large crowd was present to witness the installation which was very interesting. At the close all who desired partook of the refreshments in the dining room of the hall, while the orchestra furnished sweet music. Soon the dance room was a scene of merry dancers which was indulged in until an early hour of the morning.
The ladies of the A. M. E. church of Davenport will serve a Chicken supper at the home of Mrs. McGaw on Wednesday evening. Let all turn out and assist the ladies.
The cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Parker on Tenth street in Davenport was the scene of a brilliant reception tendered to Messrs. Woodson and Dixon of Muchaknock Friday evening. The host and hostess were assisted by some of the members of the social club. Dainty refreshments were served, after which progressive whist and dancing were in order. The other honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bussey of Moline, Mrs. C. J. Toliver of Rock Island, Mr. and Mrs. McGaw, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Jones, who kindly added to the pleasures of the evening by furnishing some splendid music. At a late hour all departed considering their host and hostess the best of entertainers.
Thursday evening, a gloom was thrown over the three cities by the news of the sad death of Mr. Jesse Bell, employed as passenger brakeman on the C. R. I. & P. railroad. His wife left on the afternoon train for Iowa City to await the home coming of her husband. The whole community sympathized with the bereft wife and children, as Jesse was well liked among a large circle of friends, colored and white, far and near. The funeral services were held at the home of his parents in Iowa City Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Those who were in attendance at the funeral and who went to sympathize with the family were Mrs. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Toliver, Mrs. Kelley, sister and the deceased, and daughters, John R. Lemme, brother-in-law, and Brakesmen King, Joplyn, McClennon, Moore and Smith and Conductor Platt and Flagman Saunders.
The Violet club held its monthly reception at the home of one of the members in Moline. As usual a delightful time was had by all.

COLFAX.

Messrs. Leusey, Robertson, Henry and Johnson have moved to Seever's new coal mine. We wish them prosperity.
Mrs. Fannie Oliver is improving at this writing.
Mr. Taylor, who was severely hurt last week at the Jasper coal mine, is improving slowly.
Mrs. Banks will entertain the sewing circle this week.
Rev. Brooking of Muchaknock is expecting to hold services at the Baptist church Sunday.
Mr. Good of Grinnell was a Colfax visitor last Monday.
Mrs. Banks is the victim of the la grippe.
Mr. Sam Dean will visit his home Saturday and Sunday.
The ladies of the sewing club expect to have a bazaar in the near future.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

The sewing society of the A. M. E. church gave a masquerade Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Heister Whiddon. The ladies served refreshments.
Mt. Zion Baptist church have been holding revival meetings. There was one conversion.
The ladies of Mt. Zion Baptist church are preparing to give a Valentine social. The young lady selling the most tickets will get a gold watch and the second prize is a ring.
Quite a number have been sick with the grip since our last writing. Among them are Messdames Norris, Pettitt, Thomas, Miss S. Askew and the agent.
Mrs. Jas. Washington and Messrs. Grant and J. Morgan have been on the sick list.
Mrs. E. A. Comley is home again after a very pleasant visit in different parts of Iowa.
Rev. Mr. Gage filled the pulpit for Rev. Clark last Sunday evening.
The choir will reorganize Wednesday evening after prayer meeting.
Another effort was made to organize a literary society Monday evening. We hope it will prove a success this time.

We would like to hear from the young men and their dancing club.
Mrs. J. W. Taylor received a letter from her husband Mr. Taylor, who is in the asylum at Clarinda, Iowa, in which he said he was feeling so much better since he had been taking treatments.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pettitt and Mr. W. H. Waricks have closed their engagements with the company with which they were traveling and have located in this city for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Pettitt are the great wonder workers of Springfield, Ill., and Mr. Waricks is of Des Moines, Iowa.
Some one please solve this problem. I was told there was a girl in St. Louis, Mo., who says she is four parts colored and one part white. How is it?

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Russell Sage as a Farmer.

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By Geo. Harnagel, his agent.

A PROMINENT CHICAGO WOMAN SPEAKS.

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GATE CITY ITEMS.

The Messrs. Fields and a party of friends enjoyed a pleasant dancing party at the Fifth ward hall Monday evening.
The choir of the A. M. E. church is rehearsing for a song service to be rendered in the near future.
Friday evening the Dunbar Literary society presented the pastoral drama "An Old Country Aunt's Visit to the City" in the Fifth ward hall. Mrs. B. L. Anderson had the title role and acquitted herself with credit. The acting of Mrs. Anderson is of the sort that appeals to the critic's idea of things properly put and she was never better received than on this occasion.
The sweet girls "Hat" and "Eleanor" were very acceptably portrayed by the Misses Artisha Fields and Rita Kendrick respectively. As amateurs these young ladies are certainly artists and the audience showered upon them its liberal applauds. Pretty and winsome Crystal Teabeau depicted the part of "Miriam" to the delight of the entire house. In Miss Teabeau is the second of Des Moines' highly cultured and excellent young lady, Miss Zella Davis. This was Miss Teabeau's first public appearance in Keokuk theatricals and the hearty reception she received was deservedly merited. The remaining members of the cast were acceptably received.
By what means can we secure a stoppage of the lynchings occurring in the United States? This question is specifically addressed to the young ladies of the illustrious state of Iowa and their replies are eagerly awaited and will be carefully considered. The columns of the Bystander are open to the productions of the race's brainy girls.

CLINTON.

Mrs. William Allen, who has been quite ill, is much better we are pleased to state.
M. O. Culbers is out again after a brief illness.
This is the week of prayer, preparatory to entering upon a season of revival.
Mrs. J. N. Hancock, who was taken ill last week with a severe attack of pneumonia, was removed to Agatha hospital Sunday. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.
Subscribers in arrears to the Bystander will oblige very much by paying up. The editors have certainly been very patient. If you cannot pay all show a good will and pay part.
Miss Estella Thimas is out again after a protracted illness. Miss Olive Simpson is also recovering from a slight indisposition.
Mrs. A. M. Damon has gone to Peoria to remain indefinitely.
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NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.

To J. W. Morris:
You are hereby notified that the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa and described as: Lots No. 7, 8, 11, in Block E, Des Moines Co. Addition to Polk City, was sold for taxes on the 6th day of December, 1897 to J. L. Wilson, that the certificate of sale thereof is now owned by said J. L. Wilson, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said lots will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. Dated this 2nd day of November A. D. 1900. J. L. Wilson, Des Moines, Iowa.

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First African Baptist Church—Corner School and Fourth streets. Rev. F. Lomack pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday School at 3 p. m.; church meeting, Wednesday 8 p. m. Mr. M. E. Houston, Superintendent. Young People's meeting 7 p. m. preaching 8:30 p. m.

Burns M. E.—East Second and Des Moines streets. Sunday services, preaching at 11:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. Prayer and class meeting, Wednesday 8 p. m. All are welcome. Rev. C. W. Holmes, pastor. 200 Des Moines street.

Mount Nebo Baptist Church—E. Second street, between Locust and Grand avenue—Sunday service, preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer and class meeting, Wednesday 8 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. H. Bell, pastor.

Tabernacle Baptist Church—Mission—Situated over 905 East Locust street. Preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10 o'clock; preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. R. Winchell, pastor.

SECRET ORDERS.

North Star Lodge, No. 2, A. F. A. M.—Meets First Thursday of each month at Masonic Hall—Fourth and Court avenue. J. H. Shepard, W. M.; J. L. Thompson, secretary.

Ring Solomon Commandery, No. 6, M. S. S. Second and Fourth Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall. Fred Jackson, M. C.; G. H. Clegg, Sec.

Meoni Court, No. 2—meets Second Monday in each month at Masonic Hall. Mrs. J. H. Shepard, matron; Mrs. Fred Jackson, secretary.

Charity Lodge, No. 2192, G. U. O. of O. F.—Meets First, Second and Third Thursday in each month at Odd Fellows hall on West 12th and Walnut streets. D. Burns, N. G.; F. Brown, P. S.

St. Olive Court, No. 4—Meets First Thursday of each month at Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. J. H. Shepard, matron; Mrs. Flora Majors, secretary.

Knights and Ladies of Honor of the World No. 178 Victoria Lodge—meets every Monday evening at Webster's Hall, corner of Tenth and Center streets. Mrs. E. A. Wood, Proctor. Mrs. Rose Johnson, Secretary.

DES MOINES PASSENGER TRAINS

C. R. I. & P. GOING EAST.

ARRIVE
9:30 pm. Chicago Limited. 9:30 pm
4:30 pm. Day Express & Mail. 4:30 pm
11:55 pm. Night Limited. 11:55 pm
8:30 pm. Day Express. 8:30 pm
9:10 pm. Hawkeye Limited. 9:10 pm

C. R. I. & P. GOING WEST.

9:30 am. Denver Limited. 9:30 am
9:15 am. Night Limited Express. 9:15 am
4:00 pm. Day Express. 4:00 pm
3:55 am. Rocky Mountain Limited. 3:55 am
11:40 am. Fast Mail. 11:40 am

C. R. I. & P. TO KEOKUK.

11:30 am. Eldon. 11:30 am
9:50 pm. Keokuk. 9:50 pm

DES MOINES & PORT DOGE.

9:30 pm. Route 100 Mail & Express. 9:30 pm
10:45 am. Tux and Fort Dodge. 10:45 am
9:10 pm. Minn. and St. Louis. 9:10 pm
8:45 am. St. Paul and Minn. Flyer. 8:45 am

WINTERBETH BRANCH.

11:30 am. Mail. 11:30 am
9:50 pm. Freight. 9:50 pm
9:10 pm. Chicago and St. Paul Lim. 9:10 pm
8:30 pm. Chicago and St. Paul Lim. 8:30 pm
7:45 pm. Chicago Special. 7:45 pm
7:30 pm. Chicago and St. Paul Lim. 7:30 pm

CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN—SOUTH.

9:30 am. Kansas City Limited. 9:30 am
11:30 am. Day Express. 11:30 am
7:40 pm. Night Express. 7:40 pm

CHICAGO BURLINGTON & QUINCY.

11:30 pm. Albia and Burlington Pass. 11:30 pm
10:45 am. Albia Passenger. 10:45 am
7:00 pm. Albia Accommodation. 7:00 pm

KEOKUK & WESTERN.

PASSENGER TRAINS LEAVE Q. STATION.
10:30 am. Mail and Express. 10:30 am
8:50 pm. Mail and Express. 8:50 pm

CHICAGO & NORTH WESTERN.

6:15 pm. Sioux City, N. & W. 6:15 pm
1:15 pm. Chicago and Special. 1:15 pm
10:45 am. Chicago Limited. 10:45 am
7:30 pm. Chicago Express. 7:30 pm
7:20 pm. Chicago Special. 7:20 pm
7:10 pm. Omaha Express. 7:10 am
7:00 am. Chicago Express. 7:00 am
10:50 am. Omaha Express. 10:50 am

WABASH RAILWAY.

9:15 am. St. Louis Passenger. 9:15 am
9:15 pm. St. Louis Eastern Ex. 9:15 am
C. M. and St. P.—Fonda Line.
7:20 pm. Storm Lake Express. 7:20 pm
1:05 pm. Fonda & Sioux City Lim. 1:05 am
C. M. & St. P.—Boone Line.
1:35 pm. Boone Mail and Express. 1:35 pm
7:10 pm. Albia and Express. 7:10 am
4:50 am. Chicago Limited. 4:50 am
11:40 am. Chicago Express. 11:40 am
11:40 pm. Sioux City & Omaha. 11:40 am

*Daily. *Daily.
All other trains daily except Sunday

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION.

To Margaret A. Warr:
You are hereby notified, that the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot Six (6) in Block "A" of the town of Mitchellville, Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes of 1896 on the sixth day of December 1897 to Daniel T. Patton; that said Daniel T. Patton is still the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of said sale, and that the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said land will be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly.

Dated this 13th day of November, A. D. 1900. Daniel T. Patton.
By Geo. Harnagel, his agent.

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Broad Vestibuled
First-Class Sleepers
DAILY—
Between Chicago and San Francisco
WITHOUT CHANGE OF CARS.

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Leave Chicago on Aug 5 at 10:00 p. m. All the best scenery of the Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevada by daylight in both directions. These cars are carried on the limited trains of the Great Rock Island Route, Denver and Rio Grande (Scenic Route), Rio Grande Western and Southern Pacific.

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Our job department motto is prompt service, good work and low prices. A trial will convince you.

THE MIRACULOUS CURES

Have Already been Effectuated by the
British Doctors at Rooms 204
& 205 Marquardt Bldg. They
are giving their Service
Free for three Months to
all Invalids who call
Before Jan 12th

Owing to the large number of Invalids who have called upon the British Doctors at the office room, 204 and 205 Marquardt Block, and who have been unable to see them, these eminent gentlemen have, by request, consented to continue giving their services free for three months to all invalids who call upon them before January 12th.

These services will consist not only of consultation, examination and advice, but also of all minor surgical operations.

The object in pursuing this course is to become rapidly and personally acquainted with the sick and afflicted, and under no consideration whatever will any charges be made for any services rendered for three months, medicine excepted, to all who call before January 12th.

The doctors treat all forms of disease and deformities, and guarantee a cure in every case they undertake. At the first interview a thorough examination is made; and, if incurable you are frankly and kindly told so, also advised against spending your money for useless treatment.

Male and female weakness, catarrhal deafness; also cancer without pain or cutting; all skin diseases, rupture and all diseases of the rectum are positively cured by their treatment.

Dr. J. Boyd, the chief consulting surgeon of the institute, is in personal charge.

OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.
No Sunday Hours.

SPECIAL NOTICE—If you cannot call, send stamp for question blank for home treatment

Thos. Mitchell and T. P. Daniels:
You are hereby notified, that the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot Eleven (11) in Block "N" in the town of Mitchellville, Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes of 1896 on the sixth day of December 1897 to Daniel T. Patton; that said Daniel T. Patton is still the owner and holder of the certificate of purchase issued in pursuance of said sale, and that the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said land will be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly.

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PEWTER THE RAGE.

Titled Women in France Modeled in This Material.

If you ever received a bonbonniere, a tray, an ash receiver, a mug or a plate in pewter for a gift, consider yourself unusually blessed. Pewter is the rage in Paris, just now, and every conceivable knick-knack that has ever been made up in silver has now been reproduced in pewter. The most desirable pieces are modeled to show the fleur-de-lis of the Bourbons or the graceful wreaths and hanging baskets of flowers trimmed with the double L of Louis Quinze. A French correspondent writes that in France this rage for pewter is little short of madness, that fashionable women are hanging the side walls of their dining rooms with all sorts of rare and beautiful pewter mugs and with shelves decorated with odd pewter plates. There is also a great fad for figures in pewter, modeled from life or the antique, and at the last Paris Salon a pewter figure, known as "The Creole," created a profound sensation. The figure was modeled from life, and was a charmingly sympathetic bit. Since this figure appeared a number of titled women have been modeled in pewter. The results have been very satisfactory, as the material is soft and pliable, the soft grayness adding wonderfully to the artistic results. To keep pewter clean it should be rubbed with chamois once in two or three

Richmond, Va., has a shirt factory that employs 200 colored girls and an iron works that employs 300 colored men.

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STRAIGHTINE is a safe, certain and reliable preparation. It is absolutely free from all injurious chemicals, and cannot injure the most delicate head. It not only straightens the hair, but removes dandruff, stimulates the roots of the hair, keeps it from falling out, and produces a rich, long and luxuriant head of hair. Cures all kinds of scalp diseases. Straightine is richly perfumed, and is in every way an elegant article for the toilet. It has been tested by thousands with the unanimous verdict that it is the best preparation made. Price, 25 cents at drug stores, or sent by mail to any address for 30 cents in stamps. Address, NELSON MANUFACTURING CO., Richmond, Va.

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"Dr. Le Dues Genuine French Female Regulator" is positively guaranteed and mailed by Kidd Drug Co., Elgin, Ill., to remove and relieve pathological Monthly Stoppages, Female Irregularities, Suppressed Menstruation, obstructions and suppressions, from whatever cause, or send free medicine until cured if guaranteed lot does not relieve. Sent on receipt of price, \$2 a package or \$5 for \$5.00 Retail and wholesale of J. R. Hurlbut Co., Des Moines. Full line of Rubber Goods; name what you want.

CHINESE DRIED OYSTERS

Said to Be Very Good as Cooked by Chinamen.

"A few years ago," said a New Orleans Bohemian, "I dropped in to see my friend Lee Yip, who keeps what he calls a 'gloccy stol,' which is as near as he can come to grocery store. He gave me an excellent cigar and presently he said: 'You like dly oster?'"

"What in the name of Confucius is 'dly oster?'" I asked before I realized that he was talking about dried oysters. "Come! I show," he replied; and opening the lid of a big box, he took out a handful of what looked exactly like oysters carved in mahogany. They were not shrivelled and warped, like other dried foods, but were as plump and symmetrical as any well-conditioned bivalve fresh from the deep sea. The only difference was that they were dark brown in color and as hard as bricks. When Lee Yip tossed them back into the box they rattled like a handful of marbles. Of course, I was greatly surprised, and before I left I took pains to find out all about them. The oysters are caught and prepared at the big native shrimperies on the other side of the lake. The process is a trade secret, but as nearly as I could gather from Lee they are spread on the tops of large sheds and exposed to the sun for several weeks. What prevents decomposition I do not know, for they come out of the operation as sweet and brown as nuts. Last night I tried some by special invitation in the backroom of a laundry run by another Mongolian friend of mine. They were brought in in a bowl and formed a sort of stew or saute, which was really delicious. The oysters themselves were firm but exceedingly tender, and had a peculiar peppery flavor, differing from anything else I ever tasted. The Chinaman who did the cooking told me he had simply boiled the dried oysters in water and added a small strip of pork and 'seasoning.' When I tried to probe into the seasoning feature he suddenly lost command of English, so there. I suspect, the secret resides. I am told that the local colony consumes many barrels of these oysters every month, and that large quantities of them are sold in San Francisco and New York.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

NEUROUS WEAKNESS CURED.

VIRTUM is a French treatment for both sexes that is positively guaranteed to cure IMPOTENCY vitality and vigor, restoring the desires, ambitions and aspirations of youth and health, fitting for success and happiness in business; professional, social and married life. \$2 a package or 3 for \$5. Ask your druggist, but refuse cheap substitutes. Sent anywhere prepaid on receipt of price and guaranteed by the Kidd Drug Company, Elgin, Illinois.

Retail and wholesale by J. R. Hurlbut Co., Des Moines, Ia. Full line of Rubber Goods name what you want.

NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.

State of Iowa, Polk County, ss:
To W. M. Crowley Do:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Four (4) Manna Fifth Addition, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by Guy Hunter and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Hunter the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

J. H. PHILLIPS,
Lawful holder and owner of said certificate.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss:
To Emma T. Reed:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1895 and 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Sixteen (16) Block Twenty-three (23) C. S. Vorse, Addition to Easton Place, now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by J. C. Springer and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Springer the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss:
To Emma T. Kennedy:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1895 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Five (5) Lytle's Subdivision, now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by J. H. Phillips and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To J. M. G. Carmichael:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Two hundred and thirty-five (235) Block Ten (10) Home Park, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Cathcart and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Cathcart the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To Warren C. Johnson:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot One hundred and thirty-eight (138) Lakeside Addition now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by L. B. Callender and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Callender the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To B. F. Cameron and W. C. Moore:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot One hundred and twenty (120) Block Four (4) Home Park, Addition to and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

That the same was, at such sale, purchased by C. M. Cathcart and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Cathcart the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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To L. B. Callender and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Callender the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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State of Iowa, Polk County, ss:
To Hiram Wells Do:
You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Six (6) Block Twelve (12) White's Riverview, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

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To A. B. Shaffer:
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That the same was, at such sale, purchased by G. M. Taylor and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk County, Iowa, and by the said Taylor the certificate was duly assigned to J. H. Phillips, and he is now the owner and holder of said certificate, and the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said property will be made, unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

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You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1897, the following described real estate, situated in Polk County, Iowa, was sold for the taxes for the year 1896 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-five (25) Block Seven (7) York's Choice, Addition to, and now forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

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DEATH of QUEEN VICTORIA A CRY FOR HELP.

Beloved Ruler of British Empire
Has Passed Away.

CONSCIOUS TO THE LAST.

The History of Her Reign a Tribute to
Her Great Virtues as Ruler and Woman
—Longest Term in English History—
Story of Her Life.

Queen Victoria, the beloved ruler of the British empire, whose sudden illness had attracted the sympathy of the civilized world, died at the palace in Cowes, Isle of Wight, on Tuesday. She was surrounded by her immediate family and retained consciousness to the last. The lord chamberlain was the first to officially announce the death, and Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, was the first to be officially informed. He was at the same time notified that he was the new ruler of the British empire, or, to be exact, "King of Great Britain and Ireland and Emperor of India." Messages of regret and sympathy soon began to come from the sovereigns of Europe and the executives of the world's republics. Thousands came from private citizens of English birth from many lands where fortune had led them. All England felt the shock of grief which was none the less because it was expected, for the British people dearly loved their queen.

SCENE AT THE DEATH BED.

Queen Recognizes Those About Her—
Prayers for the Dying.

With the members of the royal family gathered at the queen's bedside, the bishop of Winchester and the rector of Whippingham read prayers for those in extremis, says a cable dispatch from Cowes. Happily the queen was able to recognize those around her. They came to her bedside, but the physicians had warned them against attempts to speak to her. Naturally, the family, while recognizing the claim for public information, insists that the details of the events around the deathbed shall be sacred for the present and imposed the strictest secrecy on the whole household. The arrival of Lord Clarendon (the lord chamberlain) was considered ominous, because the arrangements for the succession to the throne are in his hands. The queen is said to have bid farewell, in a feeble monosyllable, to her family assembled at her bedside at midday. She first recognized the Prince of Wales, to whom she spoke a few words of great moment; then Emperor William and the others present fled past and heard a whispered good-by. All those in the bedroom were in tears.

HAD REIGNED SIXTY-THREE YEARS.

New Sovereigns in the World's History
Had Ruled So Long.

Victoria reigned longer than any living European monarch, longer than any other ruler who ever sat on England's throne, and she lived longer than any of the sovereigns who held the scepter of Great Britain. King Christian of Denmark was her senior by a year.

Four English monarchs have exceeded half a century of reign. Edward III, in the fourteenth century, reigned fifty years and within four days of five months additional. In the



A PORTRAIT OF THE LATE QUEEN FROM ONE OF HER LAST PHOTOS.

ment into a continental domain of English institutions. New Zealand and other islands of the south seas became portions of her realm, the old French Canadian provinces and the regions of British Columbia were welded into the Dominion of Canada, and her South African colonies assumed the dimensions of an empire.

Internal changes and reforms in Great Britain have been fully as marked as the external ones. When Victoria ascended the throne in 1837 there were on the kingdom's statute books half a hundred offenses subject to capital punishment—among them the theft of a loaf of bread. Every village had its whipping post. The

ent czar was born. She saw the Vatican occupied by Gregory XVI., by Pius IX. and by Leo XIII. She was in close touch with France during the two republics, through the reign of Louis Philippe and that of Napoleon III. The great German Empire was welded together under her eye and she was on intimate terms of personal friendship with William III. of Prussia, William I. of Germany, and of close family and state relationship with the Emperor Frederick and her grandson, the present kaiser. No one understood the complex and mechanism of the Austro-Hungarian empire better than did Victoria, save the Emperor Joseph. Every throne in Europe has been vacant, every ruler has changed, since this veteran sovereign took up her scepter sixty-three years ago.

With one exception, the queen's influence was for peace against war. This exception was the Crimean war, in which she showed wondrous tact and diplomacy, as well as a marvelous knowledge of the affairs of nations. Often since then diplomatic troubles and friction have been smoothed over by her personal and foreign influence. Conflicts with other nations have been averted through her interference upon far more frequent occasions than are revealed by history.

HER ILLUSTRIOUS OFFSPRING.

Leaves Descendants Near to Many
Thrones in Europe.

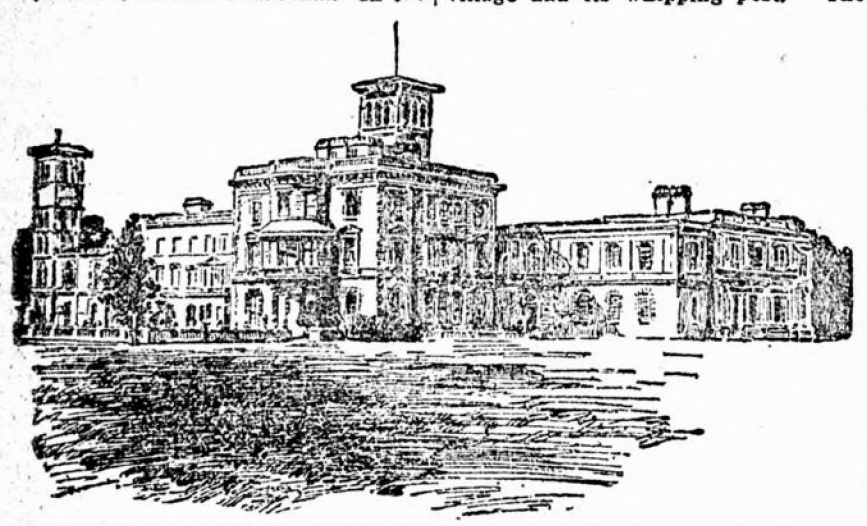
Victoria's most illustrious descendant is, perhaps, the Emperor William of Germany. She had offspring near almost every Christian throne in Europe though, and her relationship with royal families was not exceeded by that of any other monarch, unless it be King Christian of Denmark.

The Dowager Empress Frederick of Germany is her daughter; Victoria Alice, the Czarina of Russia, is her granddaughter; Princess Marie of Roumania is her granddaughter, and so is Victoria, the Grand Duchess of Hesse; Sophia, the Duchess of Sparta, wife of the heir apparent to the throne of Greece; and Elizabeth the Grand Duchess of Russia. Ernest, the Grand Duke of Hesse, her grandson; the



BRITISH THRONE.
(The Chair Occupied by the Hereditary
Monarchs of England.)

Crown Prince of Prussia, heir apparent of the German Empire, is her great-grandson, and Olga, Grand Duchess of Russia, heiress apparent to the czar's realm, is her great-granddaughter.



OSBORNE HOUSE—RESIDENCE OF THE LATE QUEEN, ISLE OF WIGHT

preceding century Henry III. reigned sixty-six years and nineteen days. George III. reigned in name fifty-nine years three months and four days, but part of the time was a king in name only, the actual rule being in a regency.

History shows few longer reigns than Victoria's. The records tell of a Hapsburg ruling the German people from 1638 to 1703, or sixty-four years. That was Leopold I., who succeeded his father and was succeeded by his son. Louis XIV. of France did still better, holding his own as the grand monarch from 1643 to 1715, or seventy-two years, while Louis XV. was "well beloved" for fifty-nine years.

According to the astrologists, Victoria should have died in October or November, 1895. Some of the most noted astrologists in India set the aforementioned as the time of the queen's decease, and had an elaborate arrangement of planetary configurations to support them.

VICTORIA'S ILLUSTRIOUS REIGN.

Sadly and Truly Has Been One of the
Greatest in English History.

In the sixty-three years of her reign Victoria had seen Britain grow far beyond other nations of Europe. She was Empress of India, she practically ruled Egypt, her possessions in Australia had grown from a penal settle-

workers in the mines were slaves. There were practically no schools. There was no right of suffrage and the only voice the people had in the affairs of the nation was through indirect revolution. Elections to parliament were a matter of barter among a few free-holders.

Educational, industrial and political conditions in the kingdom now are well known, and they show wonderful reform in sixty-three years. It may be said that the queen had little to do with bringing about these changes—that in initiating reforms her efforts were almost nil. But she never checked or defeated progress, and many times, when bills for suffrage extension or for the abolition of abuses have been opposed by the house of lords, her influence, exerted through the premier or a trusted counselor, has cleared the way for the enactment of the needed legislation.

Victoria's long reign and long life enabled her to see monarchs of other lands come and go, governments rise and fall, dynasties appear and disappear and all the mutations to which fate makes kings and their thrones subject. In the period of her reign she saw Nicholas I., Alexander II., Alexander III. and Nicholas II. governing Russia from the kremlin and she followed the politics and participated in the international policy of that empire a quarter of a century before the pres-



QUEEN VICTORIA, THE PRINCE CONSORT AND HER YOUNG CHILDREN.

Result of a Prompt Reply.—Two Letters from Mrs. Watson, Published by Special Permission.—For Women's Eyes Only.

March 15, 1899.

To MRS. PINKHAM, LYNN, MASS.:

"DEAR MADAM:—I am suffering from inflammation of the ovaries and womb, and have been for eighteen months. I have a continual pain and soreness in my back and side. I am only free from pain when lying down, or sitting in an easy chair. When I stand I suffer with severe pain in my side and back. I believe my troubles were caused by over work and lifting some years ago.

"Life is a drag to me, and I sometimes feel like giving up ever being a well woman; have become careless and unconcerned about everything. I am in bed now. I have had several doctors, but they did me but little good.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been recommended to me by a friend, and I have made up my mind to give it a fair trial.

"I write this letter with the hope of hearing from you in regard to my case."—Mrs. S. J. Watson, Hampton, Va.



November 27, 1899.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to acknowledge to you the benefit that your advice and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound have done for me.

"I had been suffering with female troubles for some time, could walk but a short distance, had terrible bearing down pains in lower part of my bowels, backache, and pain in ovary. I used your medicine for four months and was so much better that I could walk three times the distance that I could before.

"I am to-day in better health than I have been for more than two years, and I know it is all due to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I recommend your advice and medicine to all women who suffer."—Mrs. S. J. Watson, Hampton, Va.

This is positive proof that Mrs. Pinkham is more competent to advise sick women than any other person. Write her. It costs you nothing.

\$5000 REWARD.—We have deposited with the National City Bank of Lynn, \$5000, which will be paid to any person who can find that the above testimonial letters are not genuine, or were published before obtaining the writer's special permission. LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO.

When a fellow is just cut out for a sailor he has a fitting occupation.

What Do the Children Drink? Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing, and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee, but costs about 1/4 as much. All grocers sell it. See and try.

You can't lose worn out gloves if you try.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine
Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of

W. D. Wood
See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.
FOR HEADACHE. FOR DIZZINESS. FOR BILIOUSNESS. FOR TORPID LIVER. FOR CONSTIPATION. FOR SALLOW SKIN. FOR THE COMPLEXION.
Price 25 cents. Purely Vegetable. *W. D. Wood*
CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP
Cures all Throat and Lung Affections. Get the genuine. Refuse substitutes. **IS SURE**
Salvation Oil cures Rheumatism. 15 & 25 cts.

PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

Salesmen Wanted

Local and traveling. Four months and year contracts. Energetic farmers or solicitors preferred. References required. SPAULDING CO., Spaulding, Illinois.

Speltz's GREATEST OF ALL CEREALS
Speltz's Sterilized the Farmers' World in 1906: it will capture every heart in 1907, with its 60 lbs. of grain and 4 tons of hay, equal to Timothy, per acre. Get the genuine, buy of Speltz, the introducer.
Combination Corn
It is one of the greatest things of the century. It is early and an enormous crop, a sort of revolution in corn growing.
Salzer's Vegetable Seeds.
The beauty about Salzer's vegetable seeds is that they never fail. They sprout, grow and produce. They are of such high vitality they laugh at droughts, rains and the elements, taking 1st prizes everywhere. We warrant this.
For 14 Cents and This Notice
We send 7 packages of rare, choice, fine, splendid vegetable novelties and 5 packages of brilliantly beautiful flower seeds, all worth \$1. Notice, in order to gain \$50.00 new catalog, in 1901, or for 10c, 10 rare farm seed samples, fully worth \$10.00 to get a start. And our great catalogue.
JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., LA CROSSE, WIS.

IN 3 OR 4 YEARS AN INDEPENDENCE ASSURED

If you take up your homes in Western Canada, the land of plenty. Illustrated pamphlet giving experiences of farmers who have become wealthy in growing wheat, corn, etc. and full information as to reduced railway rates as can be had on application to the Superintendent of Immigration, Department of Interior, Ottawa, Canada, or to N. Bartholomew, 305 Fifth St. Des Moines, Iowa.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY, gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and to-day's treatment. **DR. H. H. GREEN'S SOLE, No. 4, Atlanta, Ga.**

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Our chum's sister is more interesting than he is.

Many causes induce gray hair, but PARKER'S Hairs Balsam brings back the youthful color. HINDS' BROWN, the best cure for corns. 10c.

There are capstones and also back capstones in some buildings. The latter are human.

A good story bears repeating. Use RUSSELL'S Bleaching Blue, don't be deceived by fraudulent imitations. Sold by all grocers.

There are few men who do not like their wives to eulogize them.

TOO TIRED TO STIR!

Weary Women Get Strength and Vigor from Dr. Greene's Nervura.

She had planned to go out with her husband, but her strength failed her.

Her nerves were excited all day, and when night came she just couldn't find the courage.

It is the old story of weakness and nervousness taking the pleasure out of life and filling it with discontent and suffering. It is not honest fatigue resulting from the daily task; it is weariness born of weakness and ill health.

The ideal strengthener for weak women is Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. It builds them up in every way by toning up the blood and strengthening the nerves. Nothing else in the world can do Nervura's work.

It seeks out the weak spots and strengthens them. It enriches the blood and gives it a healthy circulation, thus putting new life into the entire body.

Strength to overcome the general discouragement is followed by the ambition to be well. A few nights of sound, refreshing sleep brings a new sensation of acquired strength. How ready now is this woman for every duty and every plan for pleasure! The new color in her cheeks shows the potent work of the vegetable elements in Nervura. This woman is now a cured woman, and such transformations are occurring in every community through the use of Dr. Greene's Nervura.

If you are run-down and discouraged, here is the certain help.

MRS. OLIVER WILSON, of North-boro, Mass., says:

"I was suffering from nervousness, caused by female weakness and nervous prostration. I was so nervous and weak I could not go up a common pair of stairs without stopping to rest, and troubled to sleep at night. I took Dr. Greene's Nervura and have obtained my old elastic step around the house. After crossing around for two years, hardly able to do anything, it has proved a boon to me truly."

READ DR. GREENE'S OFFER.

Dr. Greene's advice is free to all who seek it, either by personal call at his office, 35 W. 14th Street, New York City, or by letter through the mail. All who are broken in health should call or write without delay to Nervura's discoverer for free counsel.



How Are Your Bowels?



About the first thing the doctor says—

Then, "Let's see your tongue."

Because bad tongue and bad bowels go together. Regulate the bowels, clean up the tongue. We all know that this is the way to keep and look well.

You can't keep the bowels healthy and regular with purges or bird-shot pills. They move you with awful gripes, then you're worse than ever.

Now what you want is Cascarets. Go and get them today—Cascarets—in metal box—cost 10c. Take one! Eat it like candy, and it will work gently—while you sleep. It cures, that means it strengthens the muscular walls of the bowels, gives them new life. Then they act regularly and naturally. That's what you want. It's guaranteed to be found in

THE TONIC LAXATIVE



CURE all bowel troubles, appendicitis, biliousness, bad breath, bad blood, wind on the stomach, bloated bowels, foul mouth, headache, indigestion, pimples, palms after eating, liver trouble, sallow complexion and dizziness. When your bowels don't move regularly you are getting sick. Constipation kills more people than all other diseases together. It is a starter for the chronic ailments and long years of suffering that come afterwards. No matter what ails you, start taking CASCARETS today, for you will never get well and be well all the time until you put your bowels right. Take our advice: start with CASCARETS today, under an absolute guarantee to cure or money refunded.

GUARANTEED TO CURE: Five years ago the first box of CASCARETS was sold. Now it is over six million boxes a year, greater than any other medicine in the world. This is absolute proof of its great merit, and our best testimonial. We have faith and will sell CASCARETS absolutely guaranteed to cure or money refunded. Go by today, two 50c boxes, give them a fair, honest trial, as per simple directions, and if you are not satisfied, after using one 50c box, return the unused 50c box and the empty box to us by mail, or the druggist from whom you purchased it, and get your money back for both boxes. Take our advice—make what you start today. Health will be yours and you will be the best of all. Address: STELLING HENRY CO., NEW YORK or CHICAGO.

The man who is always looking back is very apt to travel as he looks. Success comes from not making the same mistake twice.

In the game of life many a trick is taken with the trump of fame. Fortunate indeed is he who loses his temper and never finds it again. Many of earth's noblest heroes are unknown to the world at large.

It is said that Ruth Bryan, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, started to school one morning, not long ago, and, as a desperate run for a street car, finally succeeded in catching it. As she took her seat she gasped: "Well, I'm glad one of the family can run for something and get it."

A Woman's Weariness. Woman's sensitiveness makes her subject to more intense weariness than men. The melancholia, depression and exhaustion they suffer is due to sluggish action of their organs, which loads the system with impurities, poisons the blood and shatters their nerves. Morley's Sarsaparilla and Iron will cleanse the system, revitalize the nerves and give strength and energy. Sold by agents in every town.

Some people never stop to think and others never think to stop.

The only successful way of curing a bad complexion is by purifying the blood and cleansing the system: Take Garfield Tea—an improvement can be seen after a few days.

A man never knows how bad he is until after marriage.

As a labor saver Maple City Self-Washing Soap has no equal, and it does not injure the clothes. Ask your dealer for it and try it according to directions. All good grocers sell it.

Fear not the right and ever keep it in sight.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on the box. 25c.

Few women admire other babies as much as their own.

Dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach and bowel troubles positively cured by Taber's Peppermint Cure. Sample bottle sent by mail free. Write Dr. Taber, Peoria, Ill.

Some people are too lazy to carry their own shadow.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 501 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

A man never knows how bad he is until after marriage.

Insist on having Maple City Soap if you want the best. If your dealer does not keep it he will get it for you. All grocers.

The average man suspects at least twice as much as he knows.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and restoring nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of Testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The truly courteous man never wants for friends.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O! Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has the rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. If the price of coffee, 15c and 25c per package. Sold by all grocers.

Many mortals glory in the fact that they are in debt.

We Pay \$18 a Week and expenses to men with risk to introduce our POULTRY COMPOUND. JAVELLE 3000 Co., Inc., D. PARSONS, KANSAS.

It is far better to get out of a quarrel than it is to fight your way out.

Lane's Family Medicine. Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price 25 and 50c.

Many husbands think a wife should live and die over the cook stove.

Imitation is sincerest flattery, don't be persuaded to take any of the many imitations of Russ' Bleaching Blue. Sold by all grocers.

A fellow who has a smiling countenance often has a red nose.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle. There is a fashion in reforms as well as all other things.

Good Housekeepers Use Maple City Self-Washing Soap because it gives the best results. All grocers.

Vice, as a rule, costs much more than it comes to.

The largest proportion of the ill to which females are liable is the direct result of an irregular menstruation. The Kid Drug Co., Riga, Ill., guarantees "Dr. Le Du's Female Regulator" to keep the periods regular and bring them on promptly. \$2 or \$3 for \$5. Retail and wholesale of J. E. Harbut Co., Des Moines, Ia. Rubber goods carried.

A quarrel is as hard to make up as a resetting of broken china.

To enjoy good health it is necessary to keep the digestive organs in perfect condition: Garfield Tea is the most successful remedy for all forms of indigestion.

The solitary bivalve is the most sought after at the oyster social.

If you want "good digestion to wait upon your appetite" you should always chew a bar of Adams' Peppin Tutti Peppin!

Fail not to remember that this is 1901.

Any cough is serious enough to warrant prompt attention. It is what it may result in that makes a cough dangerous. For all slight and stubborn coughs, for gripe, lung fever, bronchitis, asthma and other throat and lung affections, you can find no other remedy so agreeable and harmless, or so promptly effective as Morley's Honey Pectoral. Price 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, January 23, 1901.

The movement to send Iowa troops to Washington at the time of the inauguration of President McKinley has been revived by a letter from J. W. Clark of Red Oak, formerly commander of Company M, of the Fifty-first Iowa, and now lieutenant colonel in the regiment. In this letter Colonel Clark said the company was willing to go to Washington and pay its own expenses, although he asked Adjutant General Byers if it would not be possible for the state to bear the expense of transportation as far as Chicago. Judge Smith, McPherson, who is a resident of Red Oak, interceded with the adjutant general in behalf of Company M. It is understood that Red Oak citizens generally are willing to back up the company, if permission to go to Washington is given it. It is said there is no doubt that the necessary fund can be raised. As the situation now stands, two companies have expressed themselves as willing to bear their own expenses. It remains for Sioux City and Davenport to determine whether troops will be sent. General Byers gave the Red Oak company this answer, that if the four leading companies he had designated, one of them a picked company, made up of members of both Sioux City companies, would provide for their own expenses, he would tender their services to the inauguration committee at Washington. He adheres to the position he took from the first, however, that if any troops at all are to go from Iowa, not less than a battalion should be sent.

Milton Remley, as attorney for the state board of medical examiners, has filed a demurrer to the petition of C. L. Parsons, in which Parsons asked for a mandamus compelling the board to issue him a certificate to practice osteopathy. The board demurs to the Parsons petition on several grounds. It is declared that it is not shown that the board has failed to determine whether or not the school is a regularly conducted college of osteopathy. Until the board determines this it is declared that Parsons has no right to demand a certificate. It is further stated that the petition fails to show that the board has found the school to be regularly incorporated and conducted. Until this question is determined it is declared that no certificate can be issued. Further the petition is demurred to on the grounds that it does not allege that the board has not regularly conducted. Finally it is stated that the act of the Twenty-seventh general assembly regarding the issuance of certificates to graduates of schools of osteopathy is unconstitutional because it is in contravention to the constitution, which denies special privileges to any particular class. It is held that it would be giving the osteopaths privilege denied physicians of other schools if they were allowed certificates without passing the examinations which graduates of other schools are required to pass. It is declared that to grant certificates to osteopaths would be contrary to the medical practice laws of the state, and the board cannot be authorized to violate these laws.

Mrs. A. B. Devoe, the young widow of A. B. Devoe of Creston, the daughter of a mother who, according to evidence given in the courts, was an object of public charity, who worked as a servant at the Devoe residence and who in 1894 married her employer when he had reached the age of 73 and she was but 27, has been finally defeated in the legal battle she has fought for months with the heirs to the estate. The supreme court, in an opinion written by Judge Sherwin, settled the controversy, affirming the decisions of Judge Town, and sustaining the claims of the Devoe children to the property, valued at \$120,000. Prior to marriage, Mrs. Devoe, or Miss Carrie Seely, as she was then known, signed an ante-nuptial contract waiving her dower right to one-third of the estate, and in spite of the fact that but a part of this contract was brought forth in evidence, the page on which the signatures were written having been destroyed, the validity of the document is fully affirmed.

The statement showing the condition of the state and savings banks of Iowa, as indicated by reports from the different banks furnished in accordance with the last bank call, has been completed in the office of the auditor of state. The reports from the banks show their condition at the close of business December 12, 1900. The statement evidences a flourishing condition of the banks of the state, and a large increase in the volume of their business since the last preceding report to the auditor. There are now 246 savings banks in Iowa and 128 state banks, a total of 464, and sixteen more than were reported in the last preceding statement.

Purchase Two More Islands. Washington, Jan. 24.—The senate has ratified the treaty with Spain for the acquisition of the islands of Sibutu and Cagayan, of the Philippine group, at a cost of \$100,000. There were no votes to spare, a two-thirds vote being needed, and the vote standing 38 to 19. In the debate prior to the ratification a number of senators manifested a disposition to oppose the further acquisition of Oriental territory. Senators Lodge and Chandler spoke in behalf of the treaty and Senators Bacon, Money and Pettigrew in opposition.

Revolt Against British Rule. Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 19.—General elections here have concluded. Of fourteen members of the legislature returned, thirteen are pledged to resist Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's attempt to restore absolute crown government. The feeling against the British colonial policy is growing stronger, and if Mr. Chamberlain refuses to yield, delegates will be sent to England soon.

Few, if any, of the important hotels have any rooms with a 13 in the number.

The stamp of a gentleman isn't on sale at the postoffice.

To some persons matrimony seems a midsummer night's dream, to others it appears to be a horrid nightmare.

Gold! Gold! Gold! The latest El Dorado is reported to be on Nome City Beach, Alaska. Thousands of people are hastening there, many of whom return having lost their health. What avail is gold when health is gone? Guard your health with the best of all medicines, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It will regulate the bowels, stir up the liver, invigorate the kidneys, and absolutely cure indigestion, constipation, malaria, chills and fever. It's a good medicine to keep on hand.

Here is a conundrum which Thomas B. Reed recently propounded: "If killing ten thousand Filipinos in ten months, as our soldiers are said to have done, is benevolent assimilation, how many must the Spanish have killed in three hundred years to warrant us in calling their rule in the archipelago tyrannous?"

Ex-President Benjamin Harrison, one of the ablest men who has figured in our public life, has always been handicapped by his unresponsive, cold manner. When he was in the senate, at Washington, D. C., in the early eighties, he always brought his luncheon to the committee room. He carried it in his coat pocket, and would eat it while he went on with his work. One day when he got it out as usual from his pocket, he looked at it all over ruefully, for it did look rather flat and dubious. He finally remarked to those near by that he guessed he must have sat on it accidentally. One of his colleagues—one who had recently been ignored by Harrison—spoke up impulsively: "Well, by Jove, Harrison, if you've sat on it, I'll bet you a sixpence it is frozen solid"; and of course a shout went up from the whole committee. Harrison took the joke kindly and joined in the laugh.

Some men acquire that tired feeling from looking for an easy job.

POLICE OFFICER RESCUED.

Officer A. C. SWANSON of the Council Bluffs Force Tells an Interesting Story.

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Jan. 14, 1901.—(Special.)—Kindhearted Police Officer Swanson of the local police force is very popular in this city. He has lived here for seventeen years, and has enjoyed many high offices in social and society work. He is now Vice-President of the "Dannebrog" Brotherhood, the largest Danish secret society in America, which combines benevolence with the social features. Owing to the constant exposure and many hours on his feet, which his duty as a police officer makes unavoidable, Mr. Swanson became the victim of serious kidney and liver trouble. He was very bad, but has entirely recovered. He gives the story in his own words as follows:

"I have been a sufferer for many years with kidney and liver trouble, and have tried many remedies, some of which gave me temporary relief, and others which were absolutely worthless. I began to think that there was no help for me, when my nephew gave me a part of a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills which he had left, saying that it would do no harm to try them, as they had certainly fixed him all right. What he gave me helped me so much that I felt justified in purchasing more, and I grew slowly better. It took almost two months to effect a complete cure, as mine was a very bad case, but I can cheerfully and truthfully say that I am a well man today, and I am very grateful that Dodd's Kidney Pills were thus brought to my notice."

The wonderful cures effected by Dodd's Kidney Pills in Iowa have created quite a sensation in some parts of the state. There does not seem to be any case of Lame Back, Rheumatism, Kidney or Bladder Trouble which these wonderful Pills cannot cure. They are certainly popular here, and the sale through the local druggists is very large.

The average wife will believe her husband when he praises her.

Almost Blind.

Mr. D. Kessing, Bannock, Ky., says: My little four year old girl's eyes were so weak from birth that she could not stand any light at all. Was treated by several physicians without benefit. My neighbors persuaded me to buy Morley's Sarsaparilla and Iron from Mr. O. Daugherty, Bannock, Ky. Three bottles not only restored her sight, but made her stronger and healthier than she ever was in her life. Sold by agent in every town.

Many people are better off in a territory than in a state of matrimony.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist today and get a sample bottle free. Sold in 25 and 50 cent bottles. Go at once, delays are dangerous.

We will never profit by our mistakes as long as we blame others for them.

SEND NO MONEY!



Without one cent of money you can have a globe at your home with pictures of TEN LAKES, RIVERS, MOUNTAINS, TRIALS, the 50 States, Alternating Current, Geology, and more.

REX APPLIANCE CO., 510 Fourth St., Des Moines, Iowa. (Local Agents Wanted Everywhere.)

Millerton's Pedigree Red & Yellow Globe Onion Seed For twenty years this seed of onion has been bred up for the globe and keeping quality. The sprouted onion, and only the most perfect globe with small neck was ever set out for seed. The yellow onion is a superior for winter use, the sprouted globe and extra good keeps. Red seed, half on, 15c; yellow, 10c; 25c for 50. 51.18; 1 lb. 25c. J. E. HERTSON, West Mitchell, Iowa.

RACE ECHOES.

It is estimated that colored people own and pay taxes on 225,000 acres of land in the delta counties of Mississippi.

At Savannah, Ga., a number of white boys are employed at printing and carpentering, and other work under Negro employment.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27.—The first international council of Grand Master Masons, colored, met at noon today in the Masonic Temple, with colored Masons dignitaries present from all parts of the world.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Dec. 26.—The Boyd plantation, across the Arkansas river, opposite Pine Bluff, has been sold by the Equitable Security Co. of New York to E. E. Fluker, a Negro merchant of this city. The consideration was \$15,000, and the place contains 2,100 acres.

In Oklahoma there are 60,000 colored people, men, women and children, or 13,000 colored voters; from careful compilation of statistics there are 7,000 colored men owning farms, which will strike an average at \$300 each; which is a very low average, as there are numbers of colored farmers who can cash their farms today for \$3,000. But placing all at \$300 each, that would make a great total of at least \$5,600,000 owned in farm property by colored men of Oklahoma.

ST. LOUIS NEGROES IN BUSINESS.

From the St. Louis Palladium.

There are about one hundred business establishments among the colored people in St. Louis, among which are eight well-doing groceries, two excellent drug stores, three extensive dealers in merchandise, besides a goodly number of paving and mechanical businesses conducted in the most creditable manner. One corporation with a capital stock of \$50,000. We have sixteen dentists and physicians who have a flourishing practice and who are rapidly acquiring a competency. These Negro doctors are learned and skilled, so recognized by both races, among which their practice extends. In legal profession twelve lawyers find a lucrative field for their talents. One is a prosecuting attorney for the city, and others have represented celebrated cases before the State and Federal Supreme courts.

There are thirty-seven carriers and clerks in the federal departments, many of whom by long service and study have acquired an efficiency which none excel.

In the various branches of the city government are thirteen colored clerks and deputies, whose salaries range from \$75 to \$150 per month. Besides these are a goodly number of colored men who hold positions to which comfortable salaries are attached.

We have thirty-three well organized religious congregations, with churches and meeting halls, among which are four church edifices that would be a credit to any people. Our pulpits are being filled with scholars as well as pious men, who eloquently analyze and expound the most difficult questions in the theology of their faith. There are over a hundred colored teachers in our public schools, all of whom have been tested in the ordeal of one of the most complete school systems of America—the St. Louis school systems. Some of our Negro educators are men of original powers, and their presence in our schools add to the excellence of the system. In the charitable direction our churches and

societies are doing good work, and the orphan asylum and the two colored hospitals act as hand maids of benevolent movements among the colored people of the city.

The Epworth League, Christian Endeavor and Y. M. C. A. are prominent among our literary and religious organizations, the latter of which is buying a magnificent building for headquarters. We have scores of secret and benevolent societies, which care for the sick and bury the dead, and maintain a fraternal compact that will last through centuries.

Recently, on account of the numerous outrages in the South, thousands of Negro immigrants have come and made their homes in St. Louis. Many of them are thrifty and aggressive and some of them have established the most flourishing business enterprises among the colored people of this city. Counting the floating population, which is always considerable in a commercial centre like St. Louis, our number easily reach the important figure of 50,000 living souls.

HOTEL CLERK'S

Plan of Lodging a Snorer So as to Protect Other Guests.

Among a group of newly arrived travelers who clustered about the desk of one of the large city hotels the other evening was a big, jovial looking man with a Roman nose and a collection of double chins leading down to his collar like a flight of stairs. He nodded to the head porter as he came in, and before he registered he shook hands cordially with the clerk. It was evident that he had been there before. "Well, my boy," he said, after he had inscribed and blotted his autograph, "what can you do for me tonight?" The clerk consulted the room chart. "I can give you 'steen 'eleven,'" he replied. "It's a very nice room at the end of the corridor; plenty of light and air and lots of privacy. Front! show the gentlemen to 'steen eleven!" "But hold on," protested the large man. "don't want that room; it's too far off. Why can't you give me my old room on the third floor?" "I'm very sorry, Colonel," replied the clerk, "but that one on the corridor is the last one on the chart. Honestly, I'm lucky to have anything for you, with all this Mardi Gras rush." "Well, if it's Hobson's choice, I guess I'll have to take it," said the big guest, and moved away toward the elevator. Later on the clerk made a confession in strict confidence to a curious bystander. "Yes, I admit I have a few other rooms," he said, "but they are all in the middle of halls, and this gentleman is the champion snorer of West Virginia. Last time he was here I couldn't keep anybody on either side of him, and the result was that we had two rooms tied up from which we were deriving no revenue. We can't afford such a waste of space so near Mardi Gras, so I put him in one of our special snorer's apartments, of which we have four, all isolated at the ends of corridors. The wall spaces are filled with non-conducting packing, the transoms is nailed shut, and he can snore there until the cows come home without disturbing anybody. Oh! yes, we keep a record of snorers, also of folk who talk in their sleep and holler murder in nightmares. Have to do it to protect our other patrons."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

HISTORICAL PALACE FOR SALE.

Many of England's Kings and Queens Resided There.

The crown lease of Eltham court and palace, which forms one of the most interesting links with the past which have ever passed into the estate market, is advertised for sale, says the London Chronicle. Its history dates from the time of Edward the Confessor (1042-66). At that time the manor belonged to the crown. It was granted by William the Conqueror to his brother Odo, earl of Kent, but reverted to the crown. While the date of the erection of the palace is uncertain, it is known that it was a royal residence from 1270 to 1623. "John of Eltham," Edward II., Edward III., Richard II., Henry IV., Henry V., Edward IV., Richard III., Henry VII., Henry VIII., Mary, Elizabeth and James I., all resided at the palace. It was there, also, that Edward III. held his parliament. Richard III. entertained the captive king of France, Henry IV. was espoused to Joan of Navarre and Edward IV.'s daughter Bridget was born. After passing through other royal hands, the palace came into the possession of Sir John Shaw. It is from one of the three parks known as the middle park that the "Middle Park Plate" takes its name. The present house retains the old moat and part of the original palace is still standing.

AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.

Speak well of your friend, of your enemy, say nothing.

He who says what he likes will hear what he does not like.

A man's manners are the mirror in which he shows his portrait.

If cheerfulness knocks for admittance, we should open our hearts wide to receive it, for it never comes inop-

STAND ON THEIR MERITS.

Prospects for Passage of the Army and Ship Subsidy Bills in the Senate.

GREAT MEASURES NOW IN DEMAND.

Have Been Favorably Reported On by Two Successive Congresses—Undeserved Opposition Attributable Only to Filibustering Tactics.

[Special Correspondence.]

Washington, Jan. 24.

Before these words will reach the eye of the reader, doubtless, the army reorganization bill will have been disposed of in the senate. At this writing the majority are so wrought up over the filibustering tactics pursued by a few populists who have been discredited by their own home states, and by a few renegade republicans, who feel that they must oppose everything that will in any way strengthen the hands of the administration, that there is every indication of some vigorous talking, and, if that don't work, then some vigorous action, that shall effectually squelch these hypocritical enemies of American progress.

As a matter of fact, when the people, by their votes, in last November, endorsed the administration and reelected President McKinley, the people also endorsed the principles and the policies advocated by the republican party and by President McKinley. These senators, however, who are now opposing administration measures, like the army bill, for instance, know very well indeed that they are attempting to thwart the will of the people in taking whatever action may be necessary to force to the rear where they belong these discredited populists and renegade republicans.

The assertion has been repeatedly made that the filibustering against the army bill in the senate is not so much directed against that measure as it is against the shipping bill, the latter being another great measure demanded by republicans in their state and national conventions, year after year, and which has been before two successive congresses, and twice favorably reported for passage by both the house and the senate committees having the bill in charge. But it is being seen, now, that the shipping bill, on its own merits, is opposed by the fag ends of repudiated and discredited and bobtail parties, solely to embarrass the president, and to give aid and comfort to the nation's enemies in the Philippines.

The shipping bill, too, stands upon its own merits, and will, by the time this reaches the reader's eye have been restored to its position of precedence as unfinished business, if it has not been passed by the senate. After the experience which the members of the senate have undergone in the discussion of the army bill they will be in no kind of a mood to sit tamely and permit the so-called "kickers" in the senate to occupy time in filibustering. And after the shipping bill has been finally passed, it will be discovered that the filibustering tactics of the populists and renegade republicans will be just as much in evidence, no matter what the measure that they may have under discussion.

In short, the real purpose of the filibustering is to delay action on all administration measures, even the appropriation bills, in order to embarrass the president and compel him to call congress in extra session. If this despicable plan is successful, then these very people who have caused the extra session by preventing action upon important measures during the time available will be the first to exhortate the president and the republican party, for what they will charge as extravagance, and a desire to put through all sorts of indefensible measures. The worst of it all is that, although the sincerity of a number of these objectors has long been questioned, it is only recently that their personal honesty has been impugned, but such pointed suggestions have been carried from them to those in control of affairs on the other side that "for a consideration" they would cease their "opposition," that the most unworthy of all motives now seems to be at the bottom of some of the most active and malignant of the opponents.

The effect of the passage of the shipping bill will be two-fold: 1. It will add to our quasi-military and naval strength, and give us a power and a prestige upon the sea which we sadly lack at present. 2. It will gradually give to our own people the carrying of our \$2,500,000,000 worth of foreign commerce, and hence to our own people the employment that goes with the payment of \$200,000,000 for carrying our foreign commerce, 91 per cent. of which now goes into the pockets of foreign ship owners.

It is to be regretted that three or four influential republican senators should have seen fit to secretly nurse grievances against the shipping bill so long, without frankly stating the basis of their discontent. But as the matter has been brought to light and so adjusted as to unite all republicans in favor of the measure, what might have happened a month ago is likely to happen at any moment, now—that is to say, the passage of the bill.

As soon as the shipping bill passes the senate it will be sent to the house, and at that end of the capitol there is every assurance that its discussion will not occupy to exceed two days, so that its final passage and approval by President McKinley may be expected to occur about the 1st of February.

The back of the opposition to the shipping bill was rather broken when the republican leaders in the senate got together and united in favor of a bill which they could all enthusiastically support, and the passage of which at the present session is now assured.

After all has been said and done, if congress don't legislate in the interest of the American ship the American people will be compelled—no one knows how much longer—to pay \$200,000,000 each year to foreign ships for carrying American imports and exports.

FAVOR THE SUBSIDY BILL.

Democrats Who Will Support the Measure to Build Up American Shipping.

GROWING SENTIMENT IN THE SOUTH

Improvement of Rivers and Harbors and the Construction of Larger Ships Viewed with Approval by Producers and Business Men.

[Special Correspondence.]

Washington, Jan. 24.

When the opponents of the shipping bill came to be finally counted, during the closing days of the debate on the army bill in the senate, the fact was uncovered that a few influential republicans were among them. These men had certain notions that the bill was inequitable in its provisions, and they had been in the habit of meeting and comparing notes and assuring each other that their suspicions were well grounded. Finally, however, these objections were brought to light, and, when that was accomplished, and the friends of the bill were given a chance to discuss these objections, their apparent force melted away like snow under a summer sun. The result has been that a few amendments have been agreed to in the bill that cover every possible point of doubt on the republican side, and they are now all united in the senate in favor of the bill as it stands.

When a vote is reached on the shipping bill there will be a disagreeable revelation to the democrats of a few of their own members who will support it. Not less than half a dozen democrats have, one way and another, indicated that they may be relied upon to support and to vote for the bill, and they explain, too, that this is, largely, in obedience to urgent requests from their constituents. Nowhere in this country is this more in evidence than in the south, where, hitherto, opposition has been so general to all forms of government aid, at least on the part of the statesmen representing southern constituencies, as to have caused a feeling of despair at times among their more progressive and up-to-date colleagues from the north and west.

The improvement of rivers and harbors in the south, followed by the construction of much larger ships for the carriage of southern export products, and the consequent reduction in freight rates and increase in direct returns to the producers, have been object lessons of immense value to the southern business men, and the fact is slowly dawning upon those whom they send to congress to represent them. No longer is there opposition in the south to the improvement of rivers and harbors; indeed, there is more money likely to go into the improvement of the great seaports of the south, and especially of the gulf, and its tributary streams, than into the north. The direct benefits from this have been felt in every hamlet, village and city in the south, whether located upon a navigable stream or not.

So, too, it is beginning to be felt throughout the south that the construction of the Nicaragua canal will be an undertaking of the most far-reaching benefit to the south, and the people of that section are beginning to appreciate the wisdom of Senator Morgan's valiant fight for that great waterway. The spending of \$150,000,000, or even \$200,000,000, for the construction of the Nicaragua canal, it is beginning to be believed throughout the south, will have a benefit each year, upon the increased markets abroad for their surplus products that will repay them, and the nation, too, each year for the total sum of the expenditure.

And, with these thoughts crowding one another upon the southern mind, it is quite easy and logical for southerners to appreciate the value of ships of our own, doing our own foreign carrying, and keeping the whole of the \$175,000,000 at home that is now spent every year for ocean freights that are paid to foreignship owners, and by them taken from the country, to the loss of our national wealth, to the deprivation of our own people of employment, and to the strengthening of the auxiliary naval resources of our foreign rivals. In these circumstances the expenditure of \$9,000,000 a year to save from \$175,000,000 to \$250,000,000 a year is not a proposition either to frighten the average American citizen or call forth his protest. In fact, the demand for just this kind of a thing is becoming quite unanimous among the business men of the country, south, west, north and east.

Senator Hanna is quoted as saying that his mail contains each day a number of requests, ranging between half a dozen and a dozen, from students in the high schools and colleges and universities, for copies of his and other speeches on both sides of the shipping question, in order that members of debating teams may familiarize themselves with the arguments pro and con. The subject is one of the most popular debates now throughout the country, and the results of these debates, almost invariably favoring subsidies, are extremely gratifying to Senator Hanna.

Few people are aware that at a very recent debate between two strong teams, one representing Columbia university, of New York, and the other representing the University of Pennsylvania, on the question of paying subsidies to American ships, the former taking the negative and the latter the affirmative of the proposition, the Pennsylvanians won, and this notwithstanding the fact that the three judges were free traders and democrats, one being a very distinguished ex-United States senator from Delaware.

However uninformed on the subject of American shipping the present generation of Americans may be, the popularity of the question in our high schools, colleges and universities insures a grasp upon the subject on the part of the young men just entering active business life that is quite reassuring as to the future of our mercantile marine. When the American people are thoroughly informed on any subject they are invariably right.



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BEAT OUT OF AN INCREASE OF HIS PENSION.

A Mexican war veteran and prominent editor writes: "Seeing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, I am reminded that as a soldier in Mexico in '46 and '48 I contracted Mexican diarrhoea and this remedy has kept me from getting an increase in my pension for on every renewal a dose of it restores me." It is unequalled as a quick cure for diarrhoea and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Druggists.

DEPARTED SPIRIT

At His Own Funeral and Thanks His Friends.

Of peculiar interest were the funeral services of Gerry Valentine. Mr. Valentine was one of the early settlers of this place, and was more than 80 years old. He was an ardent Spiritualist, and when he died he left directions for his funeral, which were intended to be a practical demonstration of his belief. The services were held in the Universalist church. The preacher was Samuel Wheeler, a noted Spiritualist of Philadelphia, and he chose "The Rainbow Bridge" as his subject. Then the meeting was given over into the hands of Mrs. Minnie Brown, a clairvoyant from Philadelphia. Immediately after Mrs. Brown had taken her position several raps were heard. "Our brother has a message for Cyrus F. Osgood," said the medium. "He wishes to thank Mr. Osgood and the others for their care in carrying out his wishes in regard to his funeral ceremonies." Mrs. Brown then gave the information that Mr. Valentine was not alone, but that J. O. Ransome, Mr. Parkhurst and Mr. Wyatt, former friends of the dead man, had accompanied him on his "little journey in the world." Several other shades of departed Spiritualists had come with them. They reported that they had made things homelike for Mr. Valentine, and gave messages to the friends of the latter which were intended to cheer and comfort them. The announcements were hailed by the many Spiritualists in the audience with pleasure, and after a few more congratulatory raps Mr. Valentine's spirit and his companions rapped "Adieu."—Hammantion (N. J.) Special New York Herald.

Caused by a Cow's Tail.

Lock Haven (Penn.) Spe. Philadelphia Inquirer: Mrs. Joseph Ross, of Pleasant Gap, met with a most peculiar accident. When she went into the barnyard to do the milking a cow switched its tail, which caught in the handle of the milk bucket. The hook on the bucket handle caught in the palm of Mrs. Ross' hand. Then the heifer started to run, dragging Mrs. Ross about the barnyard until she was seriously if not fatally injured, the hook at last releasing her after tearing completely through the hand from the fleshy base of the thumb diagonally across to the little finger.

Widows Do Not Remarry.

In China it is the rule of good society that widows do not remarry. They are not forbidden to do so, but they are thought more highly of if they don't. In order to encourage them the government, when they have passed the age of 50, and have not remarried, confers on them a tablet containing a eulogy of their virtues.

Raising the Hat an Ancient Salutation.

When a knight of old entered a company of ladies he removed his helmet to indicate that he considered himself among friends, and that there was no need to protect himself. This practice has survived in the custom of raising the hat when saluting a lady. —June Ladies' Home Journal.

Prince Rupert's Dislike.

Prince Rupert, the heir to the throne of Bavaria, dislikes the attentions of the White Rose league of England, which, because it recognizes the claims of the Stuarts to the British throne, persists, much to his disgust, in styling him "the rightful prince of Wales."

Britain's New Halfpenny Stamp.

Great Britain has issued a new halfpenny stamp, green in color; a new bi-colored postage and revenue stamp will also be issued about midsummer, when the stock of the present single colored green stamp will be exhausted.

The IOWA STATE BYSTANDER will be on sale at A. F. Tervallon's cigar store, 826 State street, Chicago.

The True Christian Spirit.

A citizen of this republic is not permitted to be master of his own speech when language is to be conveyed by common carriers, such as the postoffice department and the telegraph. Yesterday a man who wanted to be rigorous started a telegram as follows: "To hell with likes and dislikes." It was in reply to an inquiry if he liked something. A ring brought a messenger, by whom the dispatch was taken to the sending office. Presently the boy returned, saying: "Mister, they can't send it like this; you'll have to change it." The astonished citizen cried: "Can't send it? Change what?" The boy blushing placed his finger on "hell." Pink rushed to the office. "Look here, operator, what's the matter with this telegram? Why can't you send it? Are you a Sunday school superintendent?" "No, sir; I'm all right. I sent it as far down as 'hell,' when the chap at the other end of the wire challenged me. He refuses to receive it." And, to be accommodating the man made it read, "Hang likes and dislikes," which went through without burning the conscience of the receiver.—New York Press.