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CITY NEWS

Lowest prices—Mason's.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jackson entertained Dr. Hubert at 5 o'clock dinner, Monday afternoon.

Attend the Sacred concert given by the A. M. E. Church choir, Sunday evening, at the auditorium.

Mrs. B. Fields is visiting in Ottumwa—her former home.

Mrs. Susan White, who is very low, is not improving any. She seems to get weaker and weaker.

Spring Hats are ripe—Mason's.

J. H. Mixon, Jeweler, No. 312 West Third street. Tunes Pianos and repairs organs.

Mr. Craddock Howard of Omaha spent Sunday in our city visiting his wife and friends. He returned Monday afternoon.

WRITE The African Monarchs of America. They have something to tell you. Sioux City, Iowa.

Chas. West has recently put in a billiard table. He is the only colored man in the city who conducts a billiard and pool room. See ad on this page.

The Mayflower Mandolin Club furnished music for the reception that was given by the Shredded Wheat Co. at the Y. M. C. A., last Monday night.

The dance given at Hansen's Hall last Thursday night was not very well attended, as the weather was very bad, but those who attended had a very pleasant time.

Best Milliners on Earth—Mason's.

Dr. Hubert, of the Wilberforce University in Ohio, who has been in our city several weeks, left the city for St. Paul, Thursday last. His visit was not such a financial success, yet it did fairly well, and the doctor made a good impression on all whom he met. He is a very scholarly gentleman.

GO TO THE

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For Sunday—

Baked Veal and Chicken
Pie served with a full line
of vegetables. Ice Cream
served every Sunday.

THE ENTERPRISE INVEST-
MENT CO.,

Des Moines, Iowa.

The Annie Murray Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Bowmer, 933 Twelfth street, Friday afternoon, April 26. The members will please take notice. Program: Reading, Mrs. H. H. Lewis; Solo, Mrs. Wm. Coalson; Reading, Mrs. R. N. Hyde. Five minnets talk by Mrs. Wm. Callendar. Visitors are made welcome.

The Oklahoma Opportunity

is a book descriptive of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Reservations in Oklahoma to be opened this summer, with 3,000,000 acres available for public settlement. This publication contains complete information as to soil and climate, a sectioned map of the district, conditions of entry and the Act of Congress opening the Reservation. The Great Rock Island Route is the only line running to and through the reservation. The Oklahoma Opportunity and the Western Trail, giving more facts of interest to Homeseekers will be sent free by JOHN SEBASTIAN, G. P. A. Chicago.

PROGRAMME

Of the A. M. E. Church Choir Concert at the Auditorium.

Sopranos.....Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn
 Mrs. W. H. Birney.
Contraltos.....Mrs. W. M. Coalson
 Miss Beatrice Hicklin
Tenors.....Mr. S. D. Miller
 Mr. Geo. I. Holt
Baritones.....Mr. I. E. Williamson
 Mr. Geo. H. Mason
 Mr. C. Clifton Lewis
Accompanists.....Mrs. B. Stewart Hughes
 Mrs. W. M. Coalson
 Geo. I. Holt, Conductor.

PROGRAMME.

PART FIRST.
Scripture Reading and Prayer by
Rev. Mrs. Philipps.
(a) "I Will Both Lay Me Down.....Root
(b) "Jesus Lover of My Soul".....Barnby
(c) "Lead Me To The Rock.....Scott
 Choir
2 Zion, Awake!.....Ashford
 Choir
3 Trio. "O Lamb Of God".....Leslie
 Mrs. W. H. Birney
 Mrs. W. M. Coalson
 Mr. Geo. I. Holt
4 "O, For a Thousand Tongues".....Excell
 Mr. S. D. Miller and Choir
5 Tenor Solo. (a) "Comfort Ye".....
 Messiah
 (b) "Palm Branches.....
 Mr. Geo. I. Holt
6 "Rejoice in the Lord.....Kirkpatrick
 Intervening Soprano and Contralto
 Duett by Mrs. W. H. Birney and
 Miss Beatrice Hicklin, assisted by
 Choir.

PART SECOND.

Remarks by Rev. L. J. Phillips.
1 "The Lord Is Great.....Righini
 Choir
2 Duett—"O, Holy Mother.....Maritana
 Mrs. W. H. Birney
 Mrs. W. M. Coalson
3 Soprano Solo—"The Holy City".....
 Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn
4 (a) "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing".....Towne
 (b) "I Will Extol Thee.....Ashford
 Intervening Baritone Solo by Mr.
 I. E. Williamson, assisted by
 Choir.
5 Duett—"Guide Me, O Thou Great
 Jehovah".....Smith
 Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn
 Mr. Geo. I. Holt
6 "Peace Be Within Thy Walls".....
 Ashford
Tenor Recitative by Mr. S. D. Miller.
Intervening Bass Solo by Mr. Geo.
H. Mason, assisted by Choir.
Entertainment will commence
promptly at 8 o'clock p. m.
The following named persons will
occupy boxes:
Governor Shaw, Adjutant-General
Byers, Col. E. G. Pratt and Richards,
Capt. Olmstead, Major Hume, Col. A.
B. Shaw, Secretary and Treasurer of
State; F. D. Jackson, Sidney A. Foster,
A. B. Cummins, Judge Carr, Postmas-
ter, Supt. Pub. Instruction, Barrett;
Clerk Supreme Court, Jones; Auditor
and Deputy, Joe Wheeler, Frank F.
Merriam, Beecher; Atty General and
Johnson Brigham; Board of Control,
Hon. Lefe Young, B. Keffer, E. L.
Marsh, Judges Bishop and Prouty,
Judges Holmes and Conrad, County
Officials, Board Public Works, and City
Solicitor; City Officials, Mayor, Au-
ditor and City Treasurer.

Spring Bonnets ready—Mason's.

GO TO CALIFORNIA.

On the Iowa Central Railway's ex-
cursions every Tuesday until April 30th,
1901 at lower rates (single trip) than
ever before offered. Tickets also sold
to points in Washington, Idaho, Mon-
tana, Oregon and British Columbia at
unheard of low rates. For full par-
ticulars call on Iowa Central ticket
agents, or address, Geo. S. Batty, G.
P. & T. A., Marshalltown, Iowa.

Attorney Geo. H. Woodson, of Mueha-
kinock, was a Sunday visitor in our
city. He left Monday to attend court
in Ottumwa.

Mr. E. K. Butler, a member of the
typographical art, of Albia, was an
over Sunday visitor, the guest of Mr.
C. B. Woods.

The household of Ruth entertained
their husbands and friends, at their
hall, on Thursday evening. About 75
couples were seated at the tables, laden
with all the good things of the season.
It eclipsed all former efforts in the way
of social gatherings. The members of
this society are royal entertainers. We
can join their many friends, and say,
success to the Household of Ruth and
this band of noble workers, who are so
waited, for in union there strength.

The concert by the A. M. E.
choir, Sunday evening, April 21,
Auditorium, bids fair to be one
of the best concerts ever given in
the city by this choir. They
have been in steady rehearsal
under the personal direction of
Prof. G. I. Holt, for over three
weeks and no one should miss
hearing them. Don't forget to
get your seats reserved before
Sunday.

CEDAR RAPIDS SECURES THE REPUBLICAN CON- VENTION.

While the locating of the Re-
publican State convention in Ce-
dar Rapids, will be a surprise to
many republicans, yet a few pro-
fessional politicians, it was not a
surprise. Des Moines could not
have had it at all, even though
her better facilities and better
offer to the committee. The ma-
jority of the committee seemed to
be anxious to do everything to
weaken Mr. Cummins' candidacy,
realizing the enormous following
Mr. Cummins has in Polk county,
and especially those who know
him the best, but we hope that a
few cannot override the wishes of
the republican voters of Iowa for
no man in the state is closer to
the masses of the people of Iowa
today than Mr. Cummins.

The convention will be held in
Cedar Rapids, August 7th.

WISE FOR SUPERVISOR.

The supervisor contest in Lee
township is attracting attention
because of the vigor with which
it is being waged. Three candi-
dates are in the field, prominent
among which is W. W. Wise,
who, though he entered the race
at a late date, developed strength
of surprising proportions, and his
friends are claiming his nomina-
tion with the greatest confidence.
Mr. Wise has been a resident of
East Des Moines for many years,
but has held no public office ex-
cept that of city councilman, and
made a splendid record as a mem-
ber of that body. As a member
of the city council, Mr. Wise se-
cured more improvements for his
section of the city than have been
credited to the most popular city
aldermen. Mr. Wise is energetic,
has had experience in city and
county political affairs, is in the
very prime of life, and as a mem-
ber of the board of supervisors
would not be asleep while the
rights and interests of his con-
stituents were to be looked after.
He would make an up-to-date
member, being a man of well
known business ability and integ-
rity, and keenly alert to the in-
terests of East Des Moines.

CAPTAIN J. E. WILKINS WITHDRAWS.

I desire to say to the voters of
Polk county that after considering
the matter, I have arrived at the
conclusion that there being three
candidates from East Des Moines
for representative, two of whom are
contestants for practically the
same vote, thereby making it pos-
sible for a minority to select a can-

didate obnoxious to the majority,
and as I have always advocated that
the will of the majority should ob-
tain, I have now determined to sac-
rifice my personal ambition to in-
sure the result. East Des Moines
is entitled to a representative that a
majority of the people shall choose,
and should be relieved of choosing
between two of its favorite candi-
dates, and allowed to cast its vote
for the one, and thereby make the
result the more decisive. I believe
it is the desire of the County and
West Des Moines to accord to East
Des Moines the privilege of select-
ing its candidate. I believe that
my withdrawal will insure to unite
the people who believe that the will
of the majority shall prevail, and
that my withdrawal will insure to Dr.
W. H. Heaton a large majority of
the votes cast at our coming Repub-
lican primaries. I therefore in the
interest of good government and
party harmony withdraw as a candi-
date for representative.

J. E. WILKINS.



Alderman JOHN LOVERIDGE,

Candidate for member of Board of Supervisor for East Des
Moines. His write up appeared in our last week's issue.

WILL IT DISFRANCHISE THEM.

The new election law in Mary-
land that was designed to dis-
franchise the Afro-American in
that state on the ground of illiter-
acy, it resulted in establishing
and crowding the night schools,
where they are learning to read
and write, so as to be able to
exercise the right of franchise.
As soon as the colored men have
qualified themselves along this
line the democrats will doubtless
try some other pretext to carry
their base designs into practice.
It is their aim to disfranchise
every colored voter in the South.
But even if they should succeed
in placing obstacles in the way
of the colored man or prevent him
from casting his vote; the educa-
tion which he has thus been lead
to acquire will prove a benefit to
him, and he will be able to do
many things now that was impos-
sible for him to do before he could
read and write. The man that
can read and write will make a
better mechanic, a better farmer,
a better porter, a better barber,
a better husband and a better
father; in every way he will be
more valuable to the race, and
will find better opportunities for
him to prove to the world that he
is a man, and as such he is en-
titled to all the rights of any
other man.

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

GEN. ANKENY FOR CORO- NER.

Gen. R. V. Ankeny, one of our
well known veterans of the Mexi-
can and civil wars, who is the
present coroner, has been induced
by his friends to become a candi-
date again for county coroner.
He has made a good coroner and
is generally liked by all. He has
just returned home from Shiloh
where he was one of a committee
appointed to go there and arrange
for a national monument. He
has been an active republican
worker for many years, and his
long residence in this city will
aid him greatly. He is a member
of the G. A. R. and Tippacanoe
associations. His many young
friends, with his old comrades, are
working hard for his success.

Reduced Rates to Food Exposition
at Waterloo, Iowa, and Return,
Via the North-Western Line. Tickets
will be sold for the above exposition to
be held April 22 to 27. For dates of
sale, etc., apply to agents Chicago &
North-Western R'y.

HIAWATHA'S WEDDING FEAST.

On last Monday night, in the audito-
rium at Chicago, the Appollo Musical
Club of that city, assisted by the Chi-
cago orchestra of more than one hun-
dred pieces, rendered "Hiawatha's
Wedding Feast." More than one hun-
dred voices assisted in the choros. The
tenor solo, "Onaway Awake Beloved,"
was sung by M. Charles Gauthier, the
French Dramatic Tenor, S. Coleridge.
Taylor, the composer, is only twenty-
seven years of age, and is an Afro-
American. So far he has written al-
most forty compositions, mostly for
orchestra. At present he resides in
Corydon, England, where he teaches
the violin in the academy of music.

TUSKEGEE NOTES.

Prof. Earl, of the Department of
Agriculture of the A. and M. College at
Auburn, Alabama, visited us Friday of
this week and lectured to the students
of the agricultural division. All who
heard him found themselves greatly
benefitted at the end of the lecture.
Prof. Earl is good authority on agricul-
ture, and we are always glad to have
such men visit the institution.

Bishop Geo. W. Clinton, of the A. M.
E. Zion church is with us for a
two weeks stay. He will deliver a course
of lectures to the Phelps Hall Bible
training school students.

The foundations of the New Carnegie
Library and horse barn are nearly com-
pleted. The other buildings contem-
plated will also be reached soon and
rushed rapidly forward.

Oregon, Washington and Idaho

is the title of a new booklet descriptive
of these states, a copy of which, with a
new map of the Columbia River region,
will be mailed on receipt of six cents
in postage by W. B. Kniskern, 32 Fifth
Ave., Chicago, Ill.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.

Mrs. R. Pleasant is on the sick list.
On Wednesday afternoon, at the A.
M. E. church, occurred the funeral ser-
vices of Mrs. Jane Ross. Rev. Higgins
conducted the services. Mrs. Ross was
formerly a resident of this city, but for
the past few years has resided in Mon-
mouth, where she died on April 1st.
She was an energetic, christian woman,
and leaves many friends and relatives,
to mourn her demise.

The Masons gave a very pleasant re-
ception at their hall, Wednesday even-
ing, April 10. A delightful musical
program was rendered during the en-
tire evening, and a dainty repast serv-
ed to the numerous guests.

Mrs. W. Brown, of Chicago is visiting
with Mr. G. W. Brown, of this city.
The Ladies' Court gave a social at
the residence of Mrs. John Mitchell,
Thursday night.

The Ladies of the Financial Club gave
a fish fry at the residence of Mrs. Mor-
ris, on Tuesday night.

The Kings Daughters had a very
pleasant meeting at the residence of
Miss Gertrude Tyler, last Friday morn-
ing.

The Odd Fellows will have their an-
nual sermon the first Sunday in May.
The household of Ruth and Lodge of
O. F. will attend the annual sermon of
the O. F. in Fort Madison, May 15th.

The Grand Court of Iowa will meet
in this city, June 14th, 15th and 16th.
A large attendance is expected.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Fred
Vaughn Miller, the nephew of Mrs. G.
A. Brown was appointed as mail car-
rier on the Newton mail force.

Mrs. G. A. Brown is very busy em-
ployed at the egg-store.

CHAS. F. WEST.

(Formerly with Dr. Reed.)

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What a Girl Did.

A girl named Ackerman, aged 14,
daughter of an English laborer, has
just completed her education. She has
never missed being present since the
school was opened, and in completing
her 3,451 attendances is said to have
walked 6,000 miles. She has passed
every standard successfully and in the
three subjects on first grade drawing
obtained "excellent" prizes in free-
hand and model, as also in the three
stages of the specific subjects, litera-
ture, domestic economy and animal
physiology, and in one stage in phys-
ical geography. She has also ob-
tained 26 other prizes for good atten-
dance, sculpture, knitting, etc.

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DES MOINES, IOWA.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, April 19, 1901.
Governor Shaw and the other Des Moines men interested in the ownership of 3,400 acres of rice farm lands ten miles from Beaumont, Texas, have received an offer of about \$250,000 for the land. The offer was made through the foreman employed on the ground to look after the Des Moines capitalists' interests. It will not be accepted, probably. T. M. Walker, Isaac Lang and Hardy C. Harris are partners with Governor Shaw in the ownership of the Texas land. For some time Messrs. Walker, Lang and Harris, with Governor Shaw, have been considering the erection of an oil drilling plant of their own, and the beginning of the extensive prospecting on their land. A proposition has been submitted by one of the owners looking to the organization of a stock company for the purpose of making a thorough investigation into the oil bearing qualities of the land. Governor Shaw owns half of the 3,400 acres, Mr. Lang one-fourth, Mr. Walker three-sixteenths and Mr. Harris one-sixteenth.

The State university has been refused payment of three unpaid appropriations by Auditor Merriam. It is expected the outcome of the refusal will be an action of mandamus begun by the regents to compel payment of the amount asked. The requisitions which were sent in by Lowell Swisher, treasurer of the board of regents, and which the auditor refused to honor, called for three unpaid appropriations made by general assemblies before the new code went into effect. The question of law involved is whether the acts making the appropriations were repealed when the new code went into effect. The regents made requisition for \$3,000 due the last quarter of 1897, in accordance with an act providing for the endowment and support of the university, passed in 1887; for \$20,000, being a part of the annual appropriation for endowment and support made by an act of the Twenty-fifth general assembly; and for \$10,000, a part of the annual appropriation for endowment and support made by the Twenty-sixth general assembly. The total amount asked for is \$33,000. All these sums were due in the last quarter of 1897, according to the old acts in force prior to the new code. They could not be drawn before October 1, 1897, the time the new code went into effect, however, under the old acts. After the new code went into effect the old acts were superseded by section 2643 of the code, which provides for the endowment and support of the university. The regents were then shut out from claiming anything under the old appropriation measures. The view taken of the auditor's office, is that the regents are seeking to extract double what is due from the state. The appropriations made in section 2643 of the code

State Architect Liebke has commenced work on preliminary sketches for a new medical building to cost \$100,000 for the State university to replace the building recently burned. It is expected that work on similar sketches for a main building for the Agricultural college, to cost \$200,000 will be commenced shortly. The purpose is to have the plans ready to submit to the legislature next winter in order to get appropriations for their erection.

The state will advertise for bids for the rental of the bed beds of considered lakes. A resolution has been adopted by the executive council directing Secretary Davison to take this step. According to the opinion given last year by Attorney General Remley there are 10,000 acres of such lands thought to belong to the state. An effort is now being made to have congress enact a measure classifying meandered lake beds as swamp land. This would give the title of the land to the counties. The state hopes by renting the land, which has for the most part passed into the possession of individuals living on it, to strengthen its title to it before it is classified as swamp land. Aside from this the revenue will be quite large, providing bids can be obtained.

SISTER-IN-LAW SCORES "JOE"

English Colonial Secretary Taken to Task for Transvaal War.
London, April 17.—Discussing the South African war at a meeting held at Canning Town, Mrs. Richard Chamberlain made a lively attack on the colonial secretary, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

"It is all very well," she said, "for men like my brother-in-law Joe to say that farm burning is all right, but how can he know about farms or farming? Who was his father? He was a little screw maker, a very respectable profession, but it does not teach much about farms. It is no good sending out screw makers or anything of that sort. The war was not made for England, but for Johannesburg capitalists who could not speak English."

Mrs. Richard Chamberlain went to South Africa early in the war and returned to England toward the end of last summer.

DR. CHRISMAN IS OUSTED.

Kansas Professor Loses His Chair in State Normal.
Emporia, Kan., April 19.—Dr. Oscar Chrisman, the founder of the Science of Child Study, who a year ago created a great sensation before the National Mother's congress in Des Moines, by the assertion in a lecture that women alone were capable of love and men were incapable, has lost his chair in the Kansas State Normal school. His relations with the president and faculty have been strained ever since his notable lecture and it is thought influences were brought to bear on the regents against him.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

MARGARET HOSSACK SENTENCED.

She Declares Before God that She Is Not Guilty.

Indianola, April 17.—Margaret Hossack's life sentence to the penitentiary was pronounced in the Warren county court room by Judge Gamble yesterday. Her nine children and a large number of friends were present at the scene, which was more affecting by far than when the verdict of guilty was delivered by the jury five days ago. The prisoner has aged greatly in the five days, and made a pathetic figure. When Judge Gamble asked if there was any fixed reason why the sentence which had been fixed by the jury should not be pronounced, she stood up and started to speak. Overcome by emotion she sat down again and after a moment's silence Senator Berry went over and spoke a few words to her. Supported by her attorney she stood up again and in a voice that could be barely heard she held up her right hand and said:

"Before my God, I am not guilty." Those were her only words, and, needless to say, they could not suffice to avert the words which were to follow from Judge Gamble. After a moment's hesitation he delivered the sentence, which had been fixed by the jury and which will send Margaret Hossack to the state penitentiary for life. There was sobbing all over the court room when the aged convict was led out, and the court resumed its work.

Mrs. Hossack was taken to the penitentiary last night. The case will be appealed at once.

KEANE BARS SALOON-KEEPERS.

The Archbishop at Dubuque Refuses to Admit them to the Sacrament.
Dubuque, April 17.—Archbishop Keane administered confirmation to a class of 400 at St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon. After administering the sacrament the archbishop delivered an address, in which he strongly denounced the liquor traffic and those engaged in it. The general trend of the address was that saloon-keepers cannot remain in the business if they want to receive the sacraments of the church. The address was the keynote of the policy the archbishop evidently intends to pursue. He stated that he would work unceasingly to discourage intemperance, but that if his serious against the traffic fail to accomplish the desired results he would resort to stronger measures. This remark is construed that the archbishop will insist on the malt law being enforced by legal measures if the saloon-keepers do not voluntarily close their places of business on Sunday.

The address is construed as an ultimatum to Catholics engaged in the liquor business. Archbishop Keane announced that if Catholics who are engaged in the liquor business continue to conduct their saloons as they are now conducted he will instruct the priests of the diocese to refuse them the sacrament of the church.

GOES TO CEDAR RAPIDS.

Republican State Convention There on the 24th of August.
Des Moines, April 18.—The republican state convention will be held this year at Cedar Rapids, on Wednesday, August 7. There will be 1,047 delegates, no change having been made in the ratio of representation. A nomination will require 821. Following will be the officers of the convention: James C. Davis, of Keokuk, temporary chairman; A. M. McCall, of Woodward, temporary secretary; S. C. Platt, of Iowa Falls, reading clerk; E. R. Hutchins, of Des Moines, assistant reading clerk; J. C. Webster, of Cresco, sergeant at arms; John A. Reed, of Cedar Rapids, chief door-keeper. The members of the committee were practically unanimous on everything except the location of the convention. Seven voted for Cedar Rapids and four for Des Moines.

BAD WRECK AT WOODBINE.

Trains on the Illinois Central Collide With Fatal Results.
Woodbine, April 18.—A head-on collision between two passenger trains on the Illinois Central resulted in the death of one man, the fatal injury of another and serious injury to several others. The dead: Engineer James Wheeler, of Council Bluffs. Seriously injured: J. E. Jewell, Chicago; Evangeline Dahl, A. Nichols, Chicago; an aged Italian woman, foot crushed; D. L. Pelton of Woodbine, badly bruised.

The Chicago Flyer No. 2 was to have met the east-bound No. 25 at this point, but No. 25, instead of being side tracked, came on up the main line at full speed. Both engines were demolished and several cars shattered.

GREGORY ACCEPTS.

Will Be Dean of Law Department at Iowa University.

Iowa City, April 16.—President MacLean of the State University has announced that Charles M. Gregory has accepted the deanship of the law school, which was offered to him by the board of regents. His salary is fixed at \$4,000. He will be here to assume his duties next September. Mr. Gregory is now associate dean of the Wisconsin law school. He came to the University of Wisconsin in 1891, having been a successful practitioner in that state, and is now connected with a large firm in Milwaukee. He has been instrumental in framing statutes in Wisconsin, has written articles on law published in this country and in Europe, and is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

Smothered in the Mud.

Winterset, April 18.—Fred J. Niblo of this city was smothered to death by being thrown from his wagon head foremost into the mud. The wagon fell over on top of him and pinned him into the mud. He was unable to extricate himself and smothered to death.

Batavia Scorched Again.

Ottumwa, April 18.—Fire at Batavia destroyed three business houses and a dwelling. The loss will reach \$9,000. The cause is unknown. It is the second destructive fire in a few months.

LE MARS BANKER SKIPS

T. F. Ward Absconds With \$30,000 in Bank Funds.

Sioux City, April 18.—Thomas F. Ward, manager and vice president of the LeMars National bank, has disappeared, and yesterday morning when the bank opened for business it was found that he had left a letter saying that he was short \$30,000 and that he had been speculating on the board of trade. The letter said that he had used certain funds which had been entrusted to the bank. Ward asked that indictment be prevented, and said that he would restore every dollar that he had taken. He has been one of the most prominent business men of LeMars, a city of 5,000 people. Considerable excitement exists, but has not started a run on the other banks. It is not known where Ward has gone, his letter saying that he leaves for "God Knows Where." He had a beautiful wife and a number of children, among them a babe one week old.

The other LeMars banks notified the Sioux City Clearing House association of the failure of the bank at LeMars, and were at once advised by wire to call upon the association for any sum that might be needed to protect them. Gold to the amount of \$20,000 was sent on a morning train, out was not needed, as no run was started.

The officers of the bank which crashed are as follows: C. P. MacLagen, president. T. F. Ward, vice president. Frank Koob, cashier.

All but Koob are out of the city, now that Ward has skipped, the president being in Scotland, and the members of the board of directors out of the city.

Washington, D. C., April 18. The LeMars National bank of LeMars, Iowa, has closed its doors. H. Meyer, national bank examiner for Iowa, has been ordered to take charge of the bank, pending the arrival of Special Agent Thomas M. Thornton, who has been appointed temporary receiver.

The following is a statement of the condition of the bank as shown by its sworn report to the comptroller of currency under date of February 5, 1901:

Capital stock		\$100,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		3,750.00
Circulation		250.00
Due to banks and bankers		69.28
Deposits		108,176.96
Borrowed money		30,121.50
Total liabilities		267,356.87
Total resources		267,356.87

Sioux City, April 19.—T. F. Ward, the absconding vice president of the LeMars National bank, has not been found. The cashier of the bank refuses to divulge the amount of the shortage until the temporary receiver arrives from Washington. It is understood most of the shortage has come since April 1. Ward's scheme was to draw on Chicago for \$5,000 or \$10,000 and enter the books as \$5 or \$1. When he made his wife good-bye Monday night she thought he was leaving town on a business trip. She is quite shocked over the news of his defection. He was seen to board a north bound train that night.

DR. HERRON TO WED MISS RAND.

The Latter Sells Grinnell Property and Buys in New York.

Grinnell, April 16.—Some interesting developments have occurred here, which point to the conclusion that Dr. George D. Herron will be married in a very short time to Miss Carrie Rand, his wealthy patroness, who has been so prominently mentioned in connection with the Herron divorce case.

Miss Rand came to Grinnell a few days ago, and disposed of all her property here by sale. She has purchased a palatial residence on Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street in New York, where Dr. Herron is living. According to published plans, her family will go to Europe soon, and for this reason it is assumed that her marriage to Dr. Herron will take place soon; in fact, it was so understood and admitted by close friends, the marriage will be the outcome of the divorce case that have led up to the noted social reformer's divorce from his wife a few weeks ago. Miss Rand is sympathetic, heart and soul, with Dr. Herron's work. She is reported to be worth about \$1,000,000.

Dr. Herron is known to be opposed to the marriage contract. It is his social idea that the marriage state is tyranny, and the ceremony will be a concession to the other party.

RAILROAD TAXATION.

Secretary of Executive Council Prepares a Statement.

Des Moines, April 7.—Secretary Davison of the state executive council has completed the compilation of a most valuable table relative to railroad property assessments, which shows the following facts: Iowa railroads have paid a constantly increasing tax per mile of road, an increase from \$129 to \$167 per mile being shown by the records since 1880. The total taxes paid have increased from \$559,768 in 1880 to \$1,243,124 in 1900 and \$1,500,370 in 1901. In the same period the net earnings increased from \$8,673,761 to \$15,094,072. During the same period the mileage increased from 4,811 to 9,336 miles. The net earnings per mile, therefore, decreased from \$1,802 to \$1,616 per mile during the period in which the total taxes trebled.

The per cent of assessment to net earnings from 1880 to 1901 has increased from 277 to 312 per cent. The per cent of taxes to gross earnings in the same period has increased from .026 to .03. The per cent of taxes on net earnings in the same period has increased from .087 to .097. The assessed value of the roads has increased from \$4,997 per mile in 1880 to \$5,042 in 1901.

MURDER AT MASON CITY.

Mason City, April 17.—In a fit of temporary insanity Mrs. Horace B. Turnure, a farmer's wife, shot and killed her husband at their home four miles south of the city and then put a bullet through her heart, dying instantly. They leave six small children. No motive for the crime is assigned, but it is surmised that the responsibilities of rearing and caring for so many small children dethroned the woman's reason.

NEWS IN GENERAL

PROTECTED BY LI HUNG CHANG.

Chinese Who Burned Christians to Death at San Ho Last December.

Peking, April 18.—A missionary named Killie (The Rev. Mr. Kelly, Presbyterian missionary?) has returned from San-Ho, where Christians were burned to death in December. Mr. Killie reports to General Chaffee that same time ago several of his converts were killed. He had the gunny parties tried in the Chinese courts, where they were convicted and sentenced to death, subject to Li Hung Chang's signature. Mr. Killie came to Peking and saw Li Hung Chang, who said the men should be executed immediately. Upon going to San-Ho three weeks later, the missionary found the men alive. He spoke to a judge of the Chinese court on the matter, who thereon showed him a letter from Li Hung Chang, giving explicit directions that the men must not be executed, as they had only been convicted on the testimony of Christians, consequently the evidence was untrustworthy. Mr. Killie has a copy of this letter. In the meantime the French had proved the same men guilty of incendiarism and other outrages, and demanded their execution, whereupon the judge again showed his orders from Li Hung Chang. The French authorities replied that if the men were not executed within eight days they would take the law into their own hands and punish the Chinese officials likewise.

The ministers of the foreign powers view with alarm the expedition against General Liu Kuan Ting, as they think he will retreat, probably laying waste the villages he traverses and killing native Christians, and that such by the military for further aggression, which would probably be taking of Tai-Yuan-Pu, the capital of Shan-Si province. Captain Reeves, attached to the American legation here, accompanies the expedition to observe happenings on behalf of the United States.

At today's meeting of the foreign minister, the question of indemnities was discussed. It is now estimated that \$70,000,000 will cover all claims.

WINTER PALACE BURNED.

Emperor's Residence of the Emperor of China Destroyed.

Washington, April 19.—The secretary of state received a cable message this forenoon from the United States charge at Peking, dated at Peking, saying that the winter palace occupied by Von Waldersee was accidentally destroyed by fire and General Schwartzkopf, chief of staff, fatally burned. This incident may prove more serious than appeared on the surface. It is known from diplomatic communications received in Washington that intense feeling has been aroused among the Chinese over the occupation of the emperor's palace by Count Von Waldersee and his military staff. This was graphically set forth in a letter recently received here from one of the foremost officials in Peking. He described in detail the manner in which the palace had been turned over to military use and commented upon the indignity which it involved to the Chinese people and to the imperial family. Moreover, it is known that this military occupation of the palace was a moving cause for the rejection of all overtures for the return of the imperial family to Peking. From the Chinese standpoint it was impossible to even consider the return of the imperial family so long as the commander-in-chief of the allied forces was in actual occupation of the emperor's palace.

Now that the palace is entirely destroyed it may have a bearing on the return of the imperial family. While there is no longer the objection that the palace is occupied by the foreigner commander, yet a new objection is created in the face of the palace's destruction itself, for, under Chinese usage, the imperial family must occupy those exclusive quarters reserved for them within the prohibited precincts.

CONGER NOT ON THE DORIC.

Now Thought He Will Arrive at San Francisco April 25.

San Francisco, April 18.—The steamer Doric has arrived from the Orient via Honolulu and is detained in quarantine owing to the fact that there was a case of smallpox on board when the vessel reached Hawaii. The victim was First Officer Simon, of the steamer and he was left at Honolulu. There was no other case on board, but as a measure of precaution the cabin passengers were vaccinated before landing. She brings news of the safety of the transport Garonne, thirty-eight days out from Manila. She was in Honolulu when the steamer sailed, presumably to take on coal. The Garonne has the Twenty-sixth infantry on board. Owing to the delay in her arrival there was considerable uneasiness. It is expected that she will arrive within a week or so.

Minister Conger was not on the Doric. It is thought he will arrive on the Nippon Maru, which is due on the 26th instant.

MORGAN BUYS GAINSBOROUGH.

Father's Desire to Own the Famous Influence the Financier.

London, April 19.—The story that J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the Gainsborough portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire is confirmed. In connection therewith is a story of filial devotion. Morgan's father, it appears, was actually engaged in negotiations for the purchase of the picture when it was stolen. Morgan, remembering his father's desire to secure the picture, telegraphed to Sir Thomas Agnew the moment he learned that it had been recovered, making an offer for the painting. It was understood that the picture could be had for £22,000, but it is generally believed that £25,000 was the price paid for it.

Arbitration Court Organized.

The Hague, April 15.—Dr. W. H. De Beaufort, president of the administrative council of the permanent court of arbitration, has notified all the powers concerned that the court is now constituted. This notification is intended to take the place of a formal installation.

HILL INTERESTS GAIN CONTROL.

The C. & O. Road Passes to the New Management.

Chicago, April 17.—The Tribune says: James J. Hill before leaving for the west announced the success of the long pending deal for the control of the Burlington railway. He said he had concluded negotiations for the purchase of the Burlington system, and added: "There are no changes in our relations with the St. Paul and Chicago line. We merely wanted the Burlington for a St. Louis and Kansas feeder." Mr. Hill denied the report that the Burlington deal meant the establishment of a transcontinental system with the Erie as an eastern outlet. He said that the Erie would not be a part of a transcontinental line, that there would be no transcontinental line, and that the Erie would be free from alliances.

JAPAN SENDS ULTIMATUM

Demand on China Taken as a Challenge to the Muscovites.

London, April 16.—Japan has issued an ultimatum to China that Russia must be ejected from Manchuria, the alternative being that occupation of that province shall become international instead of solely Muscovite.

While directed to Emperor Kwang Hsu, through Li Hung Chang, the ultimatum is undoubtedly meant for St. Petersburg. It is the serving of notice on the czar that he must abandon Manchuria or fight.

The wording of the ultimatum does full credit to the reputation of Marquis Ito as the Bismarck of the orient.

Beneath the flowery language is concealed the mailed fist. First presented as a petition, Japan's demand is now couched in words of command. It is highly significant that Li Hung Chang, ardent special pleader for Russia, should be chosen as the medium for transmitting the ultimatum, and especially so when it is considered that Japan sent her first message to Kwang Hsu through Prince Ching. It is shrewdly conjectured here that Earl Li's first message, after the receipt of the ultimatum, went to the czar instead of to his own nominal sovereign.

That Japan has determined to precipitate a crisis in the far east is now no longer open to doubt. That, while openly acting independently, she has been promised support by other powers, Great Britain among them, is more than probable.

One thing is certain. Russia must now show her hand. She can no longer hide her purposes behind the assertion that she must retain her troops in Manchuria to preserve order and protect her interests. International aid in so doing is now a foregone conclusion. Therefore a clash seems inevitable.

Japan's assurance to China that all the nations regard the latter as a "friendly power" is interpreted here as an oriental intimation to Russia that she herself is not considered in that category as far as Japan is concerned.

TO PAY HEAVY WAR TAXES.

People of Great Britain Up Against a Hard Financial Proposition.

London, April 19.—The exceptional interest taken in this year's budget statement was evidenced by the crowded condition of the house of commons when it assembled yesterday. The attendance of members was unusually large, while the appearance in the galleries testified to the deep interest of the public in the fresh taxation proposals required to meet the expenditure for 1901-2, which, according to a parliamentary paper issued yesterday afternoon totals £687,692,000, inclusive of war charges, this being an increase of £32,941,000 over last year. The national balance sheet for 1900-1, as shown by the same paper, stands as follows: Revenue £130,355,990, expenditures £183,592,000, net deficit £53,236,000. The budget adds 2 pence in the income tax, making it 1 shilling 2 pence. It does not provide an increase in the duties on beer, wine or tea, spirits or tobacco. A duty of 4 shillings 2 pence per hundredweight will be imposed on refined sugar.

A duty of 2 shillings per hundredweight is imposed on molasses. West Indian sugar is not excepted. A duty of 1 shilling and 8 pence per hundredweight will be imposed on glucose. A shilling per ten duty is imposed on exported coal.

Raw sugar polarized below 98 is to pay a duty gradually diminishing, according to each degree of polarization, to a minimum of shillings at polarizing at 76.

ROYAL SPOUSE QUITS THE KING.

Marie Amelia, Queen of Portugal, Declines to Leave.

Lisbon, April 16.—The startling announcement is made in court circles that Queen Marie Amelia, wife of Don Carlos, king of Portugal, has resolved to become a nun. This is a direct result of the protracted quarrel between the royal couple over the king's attitude toward the religious orders of the country.

The agitation against the clergy in Spain last month spread to Portugal, where trouble between the liberals and the clerical elements had been brewing for a long time. Queen Amelia is a devout Catholic, while Don Carlos sides with the liberals, and during the recent disturbances he openly espoused their cause against the church. Violent scenes between husband and wife in the Lisbon palace followed.

There are other grievances against the king which steeled Queen Amelia's heart. The king has proved several times of late unfaithful to his marriage vow, which recently led to a public scandal. A prominent physician in Lisbon committed suicide over the loss of his beautiful young wife, whose affections had been alienated by the king.

Kitchener to Renew Operations.

London, April 16.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pretoria says: "The next six weeks will see a resumption of active campaigning, Lord Kitchener will renew his sweeping movements. He has an army of 250,000 efficient troops, including 60,000 mounted men, with a good supply of horses, 40,000 having been secured in Cape Colony alone. The army is in good spirits, and Lord Kitchener is satisfied with the progress of events, slow though it seems."

HAY REVERSES METHOD

Preparing a Treaty With England the Canal Question

New Orleans, April 15.—Judge Lange in the United States circuit court has handed down a decision dismissing the suit brought by Boer representatives here to prevent the shipment of mules and horses out of New Orleans to the British army in South Africa. The decision is a lengthy one.

Judge Parlane holds that transactions between citizens of United States and the British government were conducted under the order of private citizenship and that the courts had absolutely no jurisdiction to interfere. The horses and mules the court said, were bought in neutral territory. Judge Parlane continues:

"If the complainants could be heard to assert here rights personal to themselves in the treaty invaded and if the mules and horses involved in this cause are munitions of war, of which is disputed by the defendants, it would become necessary to determine whether the United States intended by the declaration of the treaty (of Washington, May 8, 1871) to subvert the well established principle of international law that the private citizens of a neutral nation can lawfully sell supplies to belligerents."

"It is almost impossible to suppose a priori, that the United States would have done so and would have thus provided for the most serious and extensive derangement of and injury to the commerce of our citizens, whether two or more foreign nations should go to war; and it would seem that there was nothing in the treaty, especially when its history and purposes are considered, which would warrant the belief that the United States insisted upon inserting therein a new principle of international law from which the commerce of this country and which the government of this country has heretofore strenuously and invariably followed. The principle that neutral citizens may lawfully sell to belligerents has long since been settled in this country by the highest judicial authority."

THERE WILL BE NO STRIKE.

Dewees Wood Mill Will Reopen With the Old Employees.

Pittsburg, April 19.—There will be no strike in the plants of the American Sheet Steel company. The trouble that broke out in the Dewees Wood plant in McKeesport last week and which for a time threatened to cause a general strike of all union iron and steel workers in the country has been settled in an amicable manner. The members of the general executive board of the Amalgamated association of iron, steel and tin workers held a long session yesterday, after which a signed agreement was made public, as follows:

"We have discovered after a careful examination of the points at issue, that as usual mistakes and misunderstandings underlie the trouble at McKeesport, and we reach the conclusion that it will be to the advantage of all parties concerned to start the Wood mill with the old employees on next Monday, April 22, 1901."

"And it is further agreed that the contract with reference to working conditions in the mill and scale matters shall be observed until July 1, 1901, and in the meantime Mr. Smith and Mr. Holloway shall have a meeting to adjust any difficulty which may exist between them."

In explanation of this agreement it was stated that the matter must remain in exactly the same position as before the trouble broke out. The organization of the local of the Amalgamated association among the employees of the mill will be continued, though the company will not recognize it in any way in dealing with the men.

CUTTING DOWN THE CLAIMS.

The Powers Are Materially Modifying Their Demands.

Washington, April 17.—Notwithstanding the reports from Peking of the slow progress of the negotiations there on the subject of indemnity, the officials here are not without hope that a way may be found out of the present complications. Later figures are coming in respecting the indemnity claims which slightly modify these claims as reported from other sources. For instance, the French claim is now given as \$56,000,000, instead of \$65,000,000. The Russian claim is about \$87,000,000 and that of Great Britain about \$27,000,000. The Japanese claim also has been cut down to less than \$20,000,000. Germany's claim is elastic, ranging from \$60,000,000 to \$70,000,000. The little powers, those that furnished no troops at all or an insignificant number, loom up with big bills. Belgium wants \$6,000,000, and similar claims are preferred by Holland and Spain.

DISPOSSES OF PRIAR QUESTION.

Mrs. Chappelle Promises They Will Not Return to the Province.

Cebu, Island of Cebu, P. I., April 17.—Judge Taft, president of the Philippine commission, says that Mrs. Chappelle, the papal delegate to the Philippine islands, told him the friars were not to return to the provinces and that only a sufficient number of them were now in Manila to act as instructors in the colleges. This disposes of the troublesome "friar" question.

Cebu is the first island to be visited by the commission upon which the insurrection is still active. It is unsafe to leave the city of Cebu without an armed escort. The delegates from the towns of the island who are now here are anxious for the establishment of a provincial government, which they believe would assist in ending the insurrection in the province of Cebu.

Date for Coronation Fixed.

London, April 19.—The coronation of King Edward will take place at the end of June, 1902. Westminster Abbey, according to Truth, will be entirely closed to the public for four months prior to the event, and all services will be suspended in order to prepare the interior for the ceremony. The details of the ceremonial will be settled next week by a committee of the privy council.

A PRETTY COMPANION

By Louise Bedford.

CHAPTER VII.

To Clarice she vowed a redoubled devotion. Ah! if any care of hers might help her towards recovery, so that when her lover returned from his Indian campaign she might be well enough to marry! Only in helping to bring that marriage to a successful issue could she hope to efface the last miserable half-hour. She would try, and talk to Doctor Drake some day, and ask if any possible change of treatment might hasten Clarice's recovery. The very thought brought comfort and hope with it. Having decided her course of action, she proceeded to put it into practice; she smoothed her hair, and tried to wash the traces of tears from her face. Then she sat down and wrote a few lines to her brother, declining to lend him the money, and giving him her reasons for the refusal. After that she went to Clarice's room, who, happily, she found alone.

"I thought you were never coming!" said Clarice fretfully. "Come and sit close by me where I can see you. I need your soothing presence so badly to-day. Why, what is the matter with you, dear? You look as if you needed soothing yourself. You have been crying, and I thought you were a woman who could not cry."

Janetta gave rather a watery smile. "You were wrong, you see. I have been in trouble about several things, and I could not see my way clear; but I see it now. I shan't cry any more, I promise you." And Janetta threw back her head with something of her usual frank reliance.

Clarice glanced at her wistfully. "You are reserved and proud, Janetta; but if it were a case where money would help—"

With quick alertness Janetta bent down and kissed one of Clarice's tiny, helpless hands.

"Ah! how good and dear you are; but it is not a case of money. I am almost glad not to have it, because I might do harm instead of good with it."

"Not my hands, my face," said Clarice simply. And Janetta bent and kissed her on the forehead, oppressed with a sense of her own unworthiness. The day passed like a dream. She saw Captain Merivale only at meals, for he and Clarice spent the evening alone together.

The next day, when he came down after bidding her good-by, he found Mrs. Mortimer standing alone in the hall, giving her last directions for the packing of his luggage into the carriage. He looked searchingly about for Janetta.

"Miss Howard desired me to bid you good-by for her," said Mrs. Mortimer, answering his glance. "She went into the town for something."

"Oh, thank you. Tell her I was sorry not to see her. You and she will look after Clarice for me whilst I'm away, won't you?"

The next instant he was gone. Janetta, meanwhile, sought shelter in a little cove by the seashore, and sat with her back against the cliff, and with tearless eyes gazing out seawards. Her teeth were clenched in the effort to keep back the sobs that rose in her throat. She would gladly have uprooted this strange love that had grown up in her heart, but she could not.

"He's gone now," she said, pulling out her watch and looking at it. "It can't be wrong to go on loving him when I shall never see him again. It can neither hurt him nor me, for he does not know it; and God knows I have but one great wish in life left to me—that he and Clarice should marry."

It chanced that on her way home she came across Doctor Drake walking quickly down the street. He would have passed her by with a bow, but she came to a stop.

"There is something I wanted to talk to you about. Could you spare me a minute?"

"Certainly," he said, with a slight surprise.

"I never get the chance of a word alone with you. Will you forgive me if I ask if there is nothing that could be done to hasten Miss Seymour's recovery?"

Doctor Drake's fair face flushed. "It is a question that is often before me. Do you think her worse?" he asked anxiously.

"She is out of spirits, and losing hope."

"Of what?" inquired the Doctor impatiently. "Of recovery or what?"

"Of everything that makes her life worth living. Until she is better she will not marry."

"Or Captain Merivale will not marry her!" broke out the Doctor. "Which is it, do you think? You are speaking frankly to me, Miss Howard, and I can but answer you in the same spirit. No specialist can do anything for Miss Seymour. I will tell you briefly my opinion, which is backed by other men in my profession. When Miss Seymour was thrown from her horse she severely strained the nerves of the spine. As far as we can discover, the injury is entirely overcome; but her whole nervous system is shattered. When that recovers its tone she will be well. It lies much with herself and those about her. That is why I advised cheerful companionship of a girl about her own age. I've known similar cases. Sometimes a sudden necessity for exertion will cure a patient, or a great happiness. If I had been Captain Merivale I should have tried

against the mantel shelf; while she paced up and down the room in extreme agitation.

"Got such a good berth yourself, I thought—" The thought was too far back in the recesses of Neville's muddled brain for him to bring it to light.

"That I could ask Miss Seymour to take you in as well as myself," said Janetta bitterly. "You must go, Neville. I can't stop and talk to you tonight. You are not fit to talk to."

"Go where?" asked Neville, with dazed eyes. "I thought you'd never be the one to turn me out!"

"Oh, what can I do?" cried Janetta. And then, came the remembrance of Doctor Drake's strong, kind face. He would help her if he knew in what sore trouble she was. "Look here, Neville," she said, trying not to let him see how she shrank from him. "I have one friend in this place, who I believe, if I sent him a note by you, will take you in for the night. To-morrow I will see you and think what can be done."

She was scribbling swiftly as she spoke.

"Dear Doctor Drake: I am in sore trouble. The bearer of this note is my brother—my only living relation—and he is as you see him. I cannot send him to any lodging or hotel to-night. I send him to you, because you are a bachelor, and will understand what it is to me, his sister, for him to call upon me like this. Will you of your great goodness take him in for this one night and hide his shame, and to-morrow I will see him and settle what he must do. Yours gratefully,

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She folded and directed the letter, putting it into Neville's nervous hand.

"This man will give you a bed for to-night. It is not far to go—down the hill. When you get outside turn to the right, and about a hundred yards down the street there is a gate with a brass plate on it. That is Doctor Drake's house."

Almost before he knew what his sister was doing, Janetta had led Neville to the door, reiterating her directions in soft, low tones.

She went back to the drawing room, determined to tell Clarice the story; but her intention was checked by the presence of Mrs. Mortimer, who stood by Clarice's sofa, pouring out an eager torrent of accusation. Clarice had raised herself to a sitting posture, and listened with flushed cheeks and shining eyes, and with rather a scornful smile.

"I'm glad you've come back, Janetta. Mrs. Mortimer has been amusing me with really wonderful stories, which she seems to have gathered from her own and Mason's personal observation."

"If the amusing stories you refer to are about myself, I shall be glad to hear them," said Janetta, standing before Clarice, with a burning red spot on either cheek. She would not even look at her accuser.

"First item: A drunken lover is supposed to have just come to see you."

"He is not my lover. Later on, I shall be glad to tell you who he is; but not in the presence of a third person."

"Does that mean, Miss Howard, that you wish to explain your rather extraordinary conduct to Miss Seymour alone?" inquired Mrs. Mortimer acidly.

"It does," replied Janetta, with one fearless glance. "That explanation is necessary to her, but unnecessary to you."

"I think perhaps you had better leave us," said Clarice. As the door closed behind her, Clarice stretched out her hands to Janetta with quick entreaty. "Oh, Janetta, what a brute you must think me to question anything you do! But she has hinted at such awful things! I only wait for your word to declare everything untrue, and I shall believe you."

(To be continued.)

Detective Spy-Glass on Stilts.

Chief Wilkie of the secret service has discovered a new use for a well known instrument of civil engineering, the transit, which is a sort of spyglass on stilts. While a government employee was at work on the new federal building in San Francisco he noticed that a man was bringing something small to a window frequently in a building about 200 yards away. Bringing a transit into play the observer convinced himself that the man was at work on bogus money. A secret service detective was summoned and he peeped through the transit. Then he went over and arrested the man for counterfeiting, making what Chief Wilkie regards as a most important capture.

Leith Building Great Docks.

Leith, Scotland, will become a port of some capacity and trade two years hence. A suite of docks is in construction there, which is to cost between 300,000 pounds and 400,000 pounds more than was estimated when the Leith dock commissioners launched their program. In 1896 seventy-five acres of the foreshore were reclaimed; and the dock now near completion is 1,900 feet long, with a width of 550 feet for 1,100 feet of its length and 280 feet for the remainder. The dock walls are forty-four feet high, and there are to be two pairs of steel gates, each weighing close upon 300 tons. To this equipment it has been resolved to add a graving dock 500 feet long.

Flies Convey Typhoid.

Together with the theory that malaria is transmitted by mosquitoes, the theory that flies convey typhoid germs is of particular interest, and this is the subject of an article which Dr. L. O. Howard of the United States Department of Agriculture contributes to the Popular Science Monthly.

MAY AVERT GREAT STRIKE

French's Intercession May Lead to Adjustment.

THE CRISIS AT MCKEESPORT.

Violation of Their Agreement Is Charged Upon His Men by John Jarrett—Order Is Preserved by Strikers—Outlook Is Better.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 19.—Chances for a strike of all the men of the Amalgamated association employed in the organized mills of the American Sheet Steel company, and subsequently of all the organized men of the association in mills of the United States Steel corporation tremble in the balance. On the one hand, President T. J. Shaffer is backed up in his determination to call a general strike by a majority of the members of his advisory board and the district vice-president and trustees, who were in session all day. On the other hand, there is a new move toward conciliation and arbitration, which may end the entire controversy in Pittsburg to-morrow, or may be carried to New York to be adjusted by higher powers. President T. J. Shaffer says that the outlook for settlement is better than at any time since the McKeesport trouble started. He refuses to explain this statement. Colonel G. Watson French, vice-president of the Republican Iron and Steel company, visited Amalgamated headquarters in relation to matters pertaining to some of his own mills. He became interested in the issue against the sheet steel company and volunteered to do all in his power to avert a struggle. He talked to the advisory board for an hour, advising conciliation and arbitration.

Effort at Conciliation.

Later, it is understood, Shaffer heard from Colonel French at his home in relation to some action he had taken. When the Amalgamated president was asked to tell the nature of Colonel French's message he declared that he had nothing to say, nor would he deny that he had received such a message.

The session of the Amalgamated executives took no action on the president's proposed resolution, giving him power to call out the men of the sheet company, and subsequently, as he sees fit, all the men of the new Morgan company. This is accounted for in the absence of Vice-Presidents John F. Ward of Niles, O., and John Chappell of New Castle, Pa. The meeting adjourned until today, when these officials will be present. Much of yesterday's session was taken up in a conference with John Jarrett, head of the labor bureau of the sheet steel company. Jarrett contended that the men had violated their agreement of a year ago, in which they agreed to remain at work under the conditions then existing, the violation being in their joining issues with the association. The Amalgamated men were firm in asserting that their joining of the association was not a violation of the agreement. The original agreement will probably arrive today from New York, and will be further discussed by the board and Jarrett.

Agreement Is Discussed.

The nature of this agreement consumed in argument much of the time of the sessions, and on it hinges largely a remote possibility of settlement without further concession by the sheet company or a testing of strength of the new industrial combine of capital and President Shaffer's association of the combined skilled men. John Jarrett asserted in the meeting and out of it that the company had made absolutely no effort to displace the men on strike at McKeesport. While the company is anxious to run the mill, it is now seriously working on the line of conciliation, he said. It was explained in the meeting that as soon as the resolution was passed giving Shaffer all power in the matter he would address to the heads of all the constituent concerns of the United States Steel corporation a letter advising them of the authority vested in him and fixing a date when all these men will be called to strike in the event that the sheet steel company has not been forced to settle, either through the crippling of their own operations or by the intervention of the higher powers. Such a communication, in the event if the resolution passing, is also to go to ex-Judge E. H. Gary, chairman, and Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel corporation.

Strike Order Delayed.

A canvass of all parties to the dispute indicates that the declaration of a strike will not take place for several days. The effort at conciliation to be made today will be followed by others that will take time.

MASS-MEETING OF STRIKERS.

Newark Watch-Case Engravers Assemble—May Get Aid.

New York, April 18.—A general mass meeting of the Newark watch-case engravers, who are on a strike, has been called. This meeting will be addressed by a representative of the American Federation of Labor, which body, it is said, has promised, if necessary, to assess all of its members to help the strikers. Police guards still surround the two factories affected by the strike. The men who struck at the watch case factory in Sag Harbor, L. I., have received word that the American Federation of Labor will aid them financially. The management of the factory stands firm in the position it

has taken, but has not put any new non-union men to work as yet.

Metal Workers to Meet.

Anderson, Ind., April 18.—Vice President Jarvis of this city has called a special meeting of the fifth district of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin workers at Elwood, Sunday, May 5. This district comprises all the local lodges in Indiana and Northern Illinois. They will discuss the continuous wage scale proposed by the Republic Iron and Steel company and prepare a report for the convention of the general body in Milwaukee May 21.

DEADLY BATTLE IN A PRISON.

Attempt of Convicts to Escape Results in Killing of One.

Santa Fe, N. M., April 19.—An attempt of three convicts at the penitentiary to effect their escape today resulted in the killing of convict George Stephenson, the mortal wounding of convict Jose Monica Sena, Captain of the Guard Felipe Armijo and Guard Pedro Sandoval. George Stephenson, convicted of murder, had in some manner armed himself with a revolver. William Simmons, sentenced for cattle stealing, and Frank Carper, also sentenced for cattle theft, were in the conspiracy to break out. They were armed with iron bars. Stephenson attacked the guard, which was in the dining-room unarmed. He shot Pedro Sandoval, Captain Armijo ran for a shotgun and on his return exchanged shots with Stephenson, each being wounded. Superintendent H. O. Burson came upon the scene with a rifle and sent two bullets through Stephenson's heart. A moment later Armijo, though seriously wounded, shot Simmons, fatally wounding him. Carper weakened when he saw his partners down and surrendered. Neither of the wounded guards will die. During the fight Jose Monica Sena, a convict, was slightly wounded.

DOINGS OF THE LAW MAKERS.

ILLINOIS.

Wednesday, April 17.

A number of appropriation bills were sent to the senate. Among these were: Appropriating \$1,000,000 for the payment of officers and members of the next General Assembly and for the salaries of the officers of the state government for two years; appropriating \$50,000 to the University of Illinois at Champaign to replace buildings destroyed by fire; appropriating \$30,000 for expenses of the National Guard. Joseph E. Bidwell was appointed to the office of chief grain inspector at Chicago by Governor Yates.

MICHIGAN.

Wednesday, April 17.

The senate passed the bill of Senator Humphrey, entitled, "To prevent prize fighting in Michigan." The introducer of the bill is a clergyman, but he recognized that if his measure were to pass some concessions would have to be made to the sporting element, and upon the suggestion of Senator Murfin he consented to a provision permitting all kinds of contests up to ten rounds. Senator Helme said this provision would permit almost any kind of a fight, and that if the clergyman desired to put a stop to prize fights he was being "bamboozled." The bill was passed by a vote of 17 to 7.

Prince Kropotkin on Labor.

Chicago, April 19.—"When we shall succeed in keeping in mind the great inspiration that there is something grander than the accumulation of profits, then we will be able to do something for humanity by making work attractive instead of degrading." So said Prince Peter Kropotkin, the Russian socialist, to an audience which last evening crowded the gymnasium of Hull House to overflowing. "The great problem of the twentieth century," said Prince Kropotkin, "is how to render work attractive and not repulsive to mankind. The socialists who not many years ago advanced the argument that work could be made blessed were regarded as Utopians, but their ideas are fast finding acceptance in these days of invention."

Eats 22 Eggs; Then Dies.

Point Pleasant, W. Va., April 19.—In a saloon at Copehart, this county, some one read aloud from a newspaper about a man who had eaten two dozen hard-boiled eggs. Sam Smith, aged 22, declared he could do that. A wager was made and Smith began. He finished the first dozen in record time, then complained of feeling ill, but kept at his task until twenty-two eggs with salt and vinegar had been swallowed. He was taken home and died in half an hour, despite the efforts of two doctors.

Dr. Christian Is Dismissed.

Emporia, Kan., April 19.—Dr. Oscar Christian, the founder of child study, who over a year ago created a sensation before the Mothers' congress, which met at Des Moines, Iowa, by the assertion in a lecture that women alone were capable of love and men were incapable, has lost his chair in the Kansas State Normal school. His relations with the president and faculty have been strained ever since his notable lecture, and it is thought influences were brought to bear on the regents against him.

Fues Her Father-in-Law.

Logansport, Ind., April 19.—The case of Margaret Winklebleck against her father-in-law, Andrew W. Winklebleck, the Chicago lumber dealer, is on trial here. The demand is \$10,000, alleged to be for services to the plaintiff as stenographer in the Chicago office.

There's a Vaughn Is Insane.

Boston, April 19.—Mrs. Theresa R. Haupt, known in the theatrical world and to thousands of theater-goers as Theresa Vaughn, was taken to the Worcester insane asylum last night on application of her mother, Mrs. Mary Ott, of Chelsea.

STORIES.

Here is the latest story of Judge Henry E. Howland, one of the most popular after-dinner speakers of New York: "There was a little boy who was badly puzzled over the theory of evolution. He went to his mother and asked: 'Mamma, am I descended from a monkey?' 'I don't know,' she answered; 'I never met any of your father's people.'"

Herbert A. Giles gives the following example of Chinese humor in his "History of Chinese Literature": "A man who had been condemned to wear a wooden collar was seen by some of his friends. 'What have you been doing?' they asked him, 'to deserve this?' 'Oh, nothing,' he replied; 'I only picked up an old piece of rope.' 'And you are to be punished thus severely,' they said, 'for merely picking up an end of rope?' 'Well,' answered the man, 'the fact is that there was a bullock tied to the other end.'"

In his biography of Phillips Brooks, Alexander V. G. Allen of Cambridge tells of a clergyman who was going abroad, and talked in jest of bringing back a new religion with him. "You might have some trouble in getting it through the custom house," some one remarked. "No," observed Bishop Brooks; "we may take it for granted that a new religion would have no duties attached." Another person, for the sake, no doubt, of argument, once drew attention to the fact that some men, calling themselves atheists, seemed to lead moral lives, and Brooks promptly disposed of it. "They have to," said he; "they have no God to forgive them if they don't."

Thomas Lincoln, the father of Abraham Lincoln, was a great story teller, and one yarn that he never tired of recounting was a blood-curdling Indian tale. One day, when he was about seven or eight years old, and living in Kentucky, he was sitting on a fence, watching his father and older brothers at work in the field. Without a moment's warning, a small band of Indians came rushing by on horseback. One of them, with a sweep of his long arm, seized the lad and galloped off. Little Tommy Lincoln looked up into the red warrior's face and said: "Don't kill me. Take me a prisoner." The Indian smiled. Just then a rifle cracked. Indian and boy tumbled off the horse, the Indian dead, with a bullet in his brain. Tommy Lincoln's father had come to the rescue.

One of the most ludicrous mistakes made by the telegraph was caused by the loss of a single dot in a telegram from Brisbane to a London news agency. As it reached London it read: "Governor general twins first son," which the news agency "edited" and sent around to the papers in the following form: "Lady Kennedy, the wife of Sir Arthur Kennedy, governor general of Queensland, yesterday gave birth at government house, Brisbane, to twins, the first born being a son." The telegram was published by most of the newspapers in London and the provinces, and caused an unexpected sensation. Sir Arthur's friends pointed out with conclusive force that some one had blundered, as there never was a Lady Kennedy. Sir Arthur being a bachelor. The repeated message, which followed, read: "Governor general twins first son," referring to a railway ceremony.

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DAVENPORT REPORT.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright have begun housekeeping at 716 Main street. Mr. Wright is a porter on the Rock Island road, and this places him closer to his work.

Mr. A. D. Corbin has returned from Omaha, where he went to spend Easter with his little daughter, Sadie Corbin.

Ruscoe & Holland's Minstrel was here Sunday and showed at the Burtis' opera house. It was reported that they had a crowded house.

Since our last writing one of Davenport's most faithful citizens passed away; it was Mr. Geo. W. Chesterfield, who resided at the corner of High and Cherry streets. Mr. Chesterfield was undoubtedly one of the best known and most highly respected citizens in Davenport. He was a faithful member of the Third Baptist church from its organization, which was 33 years ago this month, up until his death, and was a faithful worker in the Sunday School. He leaves a wife and son to mourn their loss. He was buried at Oakdale cemetery from the Third Baptist church, Saturday April 6. Many lovely flowers were sent by friends to show their appreciation of his faithfulness. In losing him the church lost a devoted and faithful member, and above all a Christian gentleman.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Odd Fellows in this city John T. Mabry was elected delegate to the District Grand Lodge, which meets in Albia in July.

Mr. Bert Chesterfield was called home on the 5th inst. to attend the funeral of his father, Mr. G. W. Chesterfield. He expects to remain at home indefinitely.

Mrs. Ed. Wilson is in the city, being called here by the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. G. W. Chesterfield. She expects to remain here two or three weeks with her sister Mrs. G. W. Chesterfield.

Mrs. M. L. Hadden returned from Evanston, Ill., where she went to visit her sister.

Mr. C. B. Lewis, head cook on the Rock Island from here to Joliet, has returned from Colfax, where he was called to the bedside of his daughter. She was reported to be better when he left for his home here in this city.

Sunday was Quarterly meeting day at at Bethel A. M. E. church, and a large crowd was out in the afternoon to attend the services. Rev. Bundy P. E. of this district was present and preached a noble sermon at night, although before its conclusion he taken a severe cough and had to stop.

Easter exercises were held at the Baptist church April 7, in the afternoon and Rev. Christy, pastor, and Mrs. C. H. Marshall, Supt. of Bethel A. M. E. church were present and made some very encouraging remarks.

On Sunday evening the 7th, Easter exercises were held at the Methodist church and quite a large crowd were present. The choir furnished several lovely selections and the pastor and Supt. made remarks of great interest. J. T. Mabry, Supt. of the Baptist S. S. was present and made a short address.

Mrs. Savannah Pasche, wife of Mr. N. Pasche, second cook on the Rock Island from here to Joliet, was taken to Mercy Hospital last week to have an operation performed, and we have been informed that she is considerably better at this writing which we are very glad to report to her many friends.

Eureka Lodge 3859, G. U. O. of O. F. will turn out across the river in Rock Island, Ill., the second Sunday in May to have their Thanksgiving sermon preached at the Second Baptist church over there by P. N. F. Mr. T. Harper.

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OTTUMWA NEWS.

The I. B. W. R. C. wish to extend thanks to the editor for granting us a space in his paper and also for kind words in a recent letter.

The club has did some commendable work this year, one feature of which deserves special mention. They took a crippled colored woman from the hands of cruel white people with whom she had been over twenty years. This woman has both lower limbs taken off at the knee, but notwithstanding this she is an excellent worker. She can do anything, and did all the work for this family and received as her pay abuse and ill-treatment.

The club secured her release and \$100 and a good home.

Mrs. L. M. Shelton has returned and is much improved in health.

Mrs. B. Field and Miss Nettie Singer of Des Moines, are the guests of friends in the city.

Mrs. Wallace Jones was summoned to Kirksville on account of serious illness of her nephew.

Miss Anna Thompson and Mr. James Cosin were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Sunday, April 13th, at 7 o'clock, at the residence of the brides parents.

Guests from out of town were Mrs. Searey, of Albia; Mr. Fine, of Newton.

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Miss Margaret Draine read a paper before the Ladies' Educational society of the Westminster Presbyterian church, last Monday afternoon.

The many friends of Miss Sadie Miller are much pained to learn of her serious illness in the Capital city. It is hoped that her illness may not be of a long duration.

The Misses Smith's, of Keokuk, Mo., visited in the Gate City, Saturday and Sunday, and Mr. Erick's was as happy as a bee about a very sweet flower.

They say that another lady on Morgan street has begun to look wise and and are long there will be "two hearts that beat as one."

"The Freeman" of Indianapolis, has secured Mrs. M. E. Dixon to represent that paper in this city. The Bystander man takes off his hat to Mrs. Dixon. May she sling ink with telling effect.

William H. Spencer has secured a patent on a Fruit Gatherer of his own invention, and it promises to bring to the inventor a neat income.

Lightning vs. Wind was the subject of the debate conducted by Company D, at the A. M. E. church, last Monday night. Mr. Lowe, who was to have taken the affirmative, weakened at the last moment and failed to put in his appearance. In his absence, Reverend Reeves was induced to pitch battle against Mr. Cross and his Wind. The arguments were interesting and amusing, and after a hard struggle, Mr. Cross was declared the winner. Company D is now making extensive preparations for a high class musical and piano recital, May 12th. This will be a classical treat to Keokuk lovers of music.

The Rough Riders in command of Rev. Reeves are going to conduct an interesting debate in the near future on "Republicanism vs. Democracy." Mr. Charles H. Brooks has been secured to set forth the democratic view. The name of the Republican spaker has not yet been announced.

Rev. J. H. Nichols came home for a few days to enjoy the comforts and smiles of his good wife.

A very enjoyable reception was conducted by the young ladies of the Seventh Street Baptist church, last Tuesday evening. The affair was in honor of the pastor who has taken up Evangelistic work.

Mrs. John Glass was called to the bedside of her father, in Alton, Ill., last week. Latest advices state that he is dangerously ill, with little hopes of recovery.

Mr. Wm. Dixon, who has been sick, is able to be out again.

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Therefore, in pursuance of law, I, Frank F. Merriam, Auditor of State, do hereby certify that said Insurance Company is authorized to transact the business of Fire Insurance in the State, by Agents properly appointed, as required by law, until the first day of March, A. D. 1902.

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The Corinthian Baptist Church—situated on St. between Crocker and School Sts. preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Preaching. Rev. S. Bates, Pastor.

St. Paul A. M. E.—Corner of Second and Center Streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday School at 9 o'clock; Epworth League at 7 p. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. L. J. Phillips, pastor.

First African Baptist Church—Corner School and Fourth streets. Rev. F. Lomack pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday School at 9 p. m.; Epworth League at 7 p. m.; preaching at 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 11:00 a. m. and 4 p. m. Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. and 4 p. m. Preaching Wednesday 8 p. m. Prayer and class meeting Wednesday 8 p. m. All are welcome. Rev. C. W. Holmes, pastor. 200 Des Moines street.

Mount Neba Baptist Church—E. Second street, between Locust and Grand avenue—Sunday service, preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School at 10:30 p. m. Superintendent, Rose Johnson. Preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. H. Bell, pastor.

Tabernacle Baptist Church, Mission—Situated on East Locust street. Preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School 9:00 a. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. R. Winchell, pastor.

SECRET ORDERS.

North Star Lodge, No. 3, A. F. & M. Meets First Thursday of each month at Masonic Hall, Fourth and Center streets. J. H. Shep and W. M. J. L. Thompson, secretary.

King Solomon Commandery, No. 6—Meets Second and Fourth Thursday in each month at Masonic hall. Fred Jackson, M. C. G. H. Clegg, Sec.

Naomi Court, No. 3—Meets Second Monday in each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. J. H. Shepard, matron; Mrs. Fred Jackson, Sec. tary.

St. Olive Court, No. 4—Meets First Thursday of each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. Susan White, matron; Mrs. Flora Majors, secretary.

Charley Lodge, No. 2192, G. U. O. of O. F.—Meets First, Second and Third Tuesday each month at Odd Fellows hall on West Sixth and Walnut streets. D. Burns, M. G. F. Brown, P. S.

H. H. of R., No. 339 of G. U. O. of O. F.—Convenes the first and third Thursday in each month, promptly at 8 o'clock. Mrs. B. J. Holmes, M. N. G. Meeting Wednesday 8 p. m. Knights and Ladies of Honor of the World—No. 10 Victoria Lodge—meets every Monday evening at Webster's hall, corner of Tenth Center streets. Mrs. E. A. Wood, Proctor. Mrs. Rose Johnson, Secretary.

DES MOINES PASSENGER TRAINS

C. R. I. & P., GOING EAST.	
ARRIVE	DEPART
Chicago Limited..... 9:35 pm	Chicago Limited..... 9:35 pm
Day Express & Mail..... 11:16 pm	Day Express & Mail..... 11:16 pm
Night Limited..... 11:16 pm	Night Limited..... 11:16 pm
Day Express..... 11:45 pm	Day Express..... 11:45 pm
Hawkeye Limited..... 11:45 pm	Hawkeye Limited..... 11:45 pm
C. R. I. & P., GOING WEST.	
Denver Limited..... 8:35 am	Denver Limited..... 8:35 am
Night Limited Express..... 8:40 am	Night Limited Express..... 8:40 am
Day Express..... 9:15 am	Day Express..... 9:15 am
Rocky Mountain Limited..... 9:15 am	Rocky Mountain Limited..... 9:15 am
Fast Mail..... 11:40 am	Fast Mail..... 11:40 am
C. R. I. & P. TO KEOKUK.	
Eldon..... 6:55 pm	Eldon..... 6:55 pm
Keokuk..... 7:10 pm	Keokuk..... 7:10 pm
DES MOINES & FORT DOUGLASS	
Rubenvin Mail & Express..... 12:10 pm	Rubenvin Mail & Express..... 12:10 pm
Tara and Fort Dodge..... 12:15 pm	Tara and Fort Dodge..... 12:15 pm
Minn. and St. Louis..... 12:40 pm	Minn. and St. Louis..... 12:40 pm
St. Paul and Minn. Flyer..... 12:40 pm	St. Paul and Minn. Flyer..... 12:40 pm
WINTERSET BRANCH.	
Mail..... 4:40 pm	Mail..... 4:40 pm
Express..... 7:30 pm	Express..... 7:30 pm
Freight..... 8:45 am	Freight..... 8:45 am
CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN—NORTH	
Chicago and St. Paul Lim..... 8:30 pm	Chicago and St. Paul Lim..... 8:30 pm
Chicago and St. Paul Ex..... 8:30 am	Chicago and St. Paul Ex..... 8:30 am
Chicago Special..... 11:45 pm	Chicago Special..... 11:45 pm
CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN—SOUTH	
Kansas City Limited..... 7:40 pm	Kansas City Limited..... 7:40 pm
Day Express..... 11:45 pm	Day Express..... 11:45 pm
Night Express..... 11:45 pm	Night Express..... 11:45 pm
CHICAGO BURLINGTON & QUINCY	
Albia and Burlington Pass..... 9:15 pm	Albia and Burlington Pass..... 9:15 pm
Albia Pass..... 9:40 pm	Albia Pass..... 9:40 pm
Albia & Comm..... 9:45 am	Albia & Comm..... 9:45 am
KEOKUK & WESTERN	
Mail and Express..... 12:40 pm	Mail and Express..... 12:40 pm
Mail and Express..... 8:45 am	Mail and Express..... 8:45 am
CHICAGO & NORTH WESTERN	
Sioux City, N. & W..... 11:40 am	Sioux City, N. & W..... 11:40 am
Colorado Special..... 11:40 pm	Colorado Special..... 11:40 pm
Chicago Limited..... 9:30 pm	Chicago Limited..... 9:30 pm
Dakota Limited..... 9:30 am	Dakota Limited..... 9:30 am
Chicago Express..... 11:05 am	Chicago Express..... 11:05 am
Chicago Special..... 11:05 am	Chicago Special..... 11:05 am
Omaha Express..... 9:10 am	Omaha Express..... 9:10 am
Chicago Express..... 11:40 pm	Chicago Express..... 11:40 pm
Omaha & Express..... 9:00 am	Omaha & Express..... 9:00 am
WABASH RAILWAY	
St. Louis Passenger..... 10:45 pm	St. Louis Passenger..... 10:45 pm
St. Louis Eastern Ex..... 10:30 am	St. Louis Eastern Ex..... 10:30 am
C. M. and St. P.—Fonda Line.	
Storm Lake Express..... 1:05 pm	Storm Lake Express..... 1:05 pm
Fonda & Sioux City Lim..... 9:05 am	Fonda & Sioux City Lim..... 9:05 am
C. M. & ST. P.—BOONE LINE.	
Boone Mail and Express..... 9:40 pm	Boone Mail and Express..... 9:40 pm
Mail and Express..... 7:40 pm	Mail and Express..... 7:40 pm
Chicago Limited..... 9:40 pm	Chicago Limited..... 9:40 pm
Chicago Express..... 11:00 am	Chicago Express..... 11:00 am
Sioux City & Omaha..... 10:00 am	Sioux City & Omaha..... 10:00 am
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PRACTICAL ADVICE.

A stitch in time saves nine.
Never let a child sob itself to sleep. An egg beaten up in milk is a good pick-me-up.
Sponge black silk with spirits to revive it.
Soot covered with salt is easily brushed up.
If broken wash the bruise and apply vaseline.
Apply arnica to a bruise if the skin is unbroken.
A hot bath taken at night affords refreshing sleep.
Lemons stewed separately in dry sand keep fresh.
Dry hair turns gray sooner than moist tresses do.
If your clothes catch fire instantly roll on the floor.
Crawl out of a room where there are smoke and fire.
When you want to cut whalebone, warm it by the fire.
Sufferers from dyspepsia should not drink while eating.
Cut glass needs scrubbing with warm water and soap.
Bruised clove kept among furs frighten moths away.
When the dirt is removed rinse it well with cold water.
The busy housewife should get an hour's sleep in the afternoon.
If possible, hold a wet towel to your face while escaping.—Boston Journal

TRICK OF VOICE.

how One Lawyer Keeps the Judge From Sleeping.
There is said to be a lawyer in Philadelphia who possesses a trick of the voice to which a certain measure of his success in United States Supreme court practice is due. The trick consists in waking a judge. Whether it is a common practice for the high dignitaries of the federal supreme bench to indulge in a nap in the course of a long and tedious argument, such happenings are not unknown, and it is well for an able logician of the bar to be prepared for it. The trick of waking a sleepy judge would seem to be something in the nature of slamming a law book under his nose or connecting his personality with the current of an electric battery. But the trick is explained as purely a matter of sound involved in the skillful control of the voice. It is said that a barrister practiced in the art and rhetoric of addressing the bench can gather all the waves of sound from his throat into a focus and deposit it in the orifice of a judge's ear with the general effect of a bomb. The trick, however it is accomplished, is said to have been worked repeatedly with success on the late Judge McKenna, whose habit of going to sleep on the bench was once a notorious subject of comment in the litigation over the Berliner telephone patents. This queer trick of the voice, while it is said to be the peculiar property of one celebrated lawyer, is probably attempted often with varying success by others.—Philadelphia Record.

EXCURSION RATES TO WINTER RESORTS

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FRILLS OF FASHION.

Variations in children's gowns blossom out from time to time, even though they are very slight, and small girls rival their mothers in their ambition to keep up to date.
Soft wool materials make up very prettily in this way. In figured French flannel the collar may be made of the same and trimmed with rows of narrow braid or velvet ribbon. Skirts of the small gowns are usually plain, but the older girls have some sort of trimming either tucks, stitched bands, ruffles or velvet folds, stitched on.
The long-waisted mode, in which the waist line rounds down low in front, is conspicuously evident among the gowns for girls over 10 years of age, and the small gowns for dainty little girls of 6 imitate this fashion as much as possible by having the long waist all around. Glimpe dresses, which never seem to go out of style, are suitable for all ages, from 6 to the more mature years of middle age.
Bolero jackets are very popular in the kingdom of small costumes, and the attempt to produce the effect of stole ends is seen in one little gown, where narrow lace revers are carried down the entire length of the front, as shown in the illustration. Another pretty effect is made by two box plaits in front, one at either side from the yoke to the hem, and two in the back, giving a long effect to the waist, which is defined with a narrow velvet belt ending in small velvet rosettes at either side of the front on the plaits. The skirt gathers on to the waist between the plaits, which apparently are a continuation of those in the waist. A sailor collar of lace covers the shoulders in the back and opens in front over a yoke of tucked white silk or batiste.
Thin gowns of point d'esprit for party wear are variously trimmed with ruffles, ruffles, lace insertion and rows of colored satin ribbon. A pretty feature of the small girl's costume is the coat and hat to match.—New York Sun.

Grave Filling Device.

A device for use in constructing graves, the invention of Henry D. Cameron, of Burlington, Iowa, is designed to fill the grave with earth after the coffin has been lowered, and to conceal as far as possible the actual throwing of the dirt upon the coffin, the most trying termination of the grave ceremony to the bereaved mourners. It consists of a receptacle, with detachable sides and bottom, and a gate in the latter so arranged as to be capable of being opened to allow the contents to fall. The front is a flexible curtain, extending from the top to the gate, and designed to prevent the earth within from being seen. This receptacle is filled with earth previous to the ceremony and carried to a convenient point. When all is over and the grave is to be filled, the receptacle is placed over it, and the gates opened, thus gently closing the last sad scene in a much more fitting manner than the seemingly cold-hearted return of the earth with a spade.

COLD INDEED.

Some of the Odd Tricks of Liquid Air.
Liquid air is, perhaps, the coldest thing in the world. It is so cold that a cake of ice is like a fierce fire as compared with it, for a kettle of liquid air placed on a cake of ice will boil just as water boils over a hot fire. It freezes mercury so hard that one can drive nails in it. The story is told that Mr. Charles E. Tripler, the experimenter in liquid air, recently took a quart can of the remarkable substance with him on a visit to a friend. On the way he stopped in a restaurant to eat a beefsteak. The waiter brought in a hot broiled steak and placed it in front of Mr. Tripler. As soon as the waiter's back was turned Mr. Tripler hastily opened the can and exposed the meat to the liquid air. Instantly the steak was frozen hard as a rock. When the waiter came back his customer complained that the steak was frozen. So the waiter called the head waiter, and the head waiter blamed it all on the cook and the cook was at a loss to explain, and the result was that the frozen steak was taken back into the kitchen as a mysterious curiosity. A new steak was broiled for Mr. Tripler, and this one he ate with much relish.



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HOCKING ITEMS.

Mr. Clarence Brown is in our city, the guest of Mrs. Nannie Taylor.
Mr. John Kewis and Miss Myrtle Tolson were married on the 6th inst. We wish them success.
Those on the sick list are Mrs. Josie Robinson and Mr. William Watson.
Our revival meeting closed with two converts. Mrs. Vergie Burns, Miss E. Taylor and Rev. Colburn of Missouri assisted Rev. C. H. Green with the meeting.
Rev. Green preached a soul stirring sermon, both morning and evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson were called to Cleveland, to the bedside of their son, who is lying very low at this writing.
Our Sunday School is getting along nicely.
Prof. William Oliver who teaches the colored band, is now teaching the white band at this place. The white people snub our race but they can't get along without them.
Mr. Jessie Burns was in our town and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Burns.
Mrs. Caroline Grandison is moving to Hilton today to take possession of the new boarding house. We wish her success.
Quite a number of strangers are in our town.
The Odd Fellows are preparing for the Grand lodge that convenes in Albia in July. Every one invited to attend.

DOCTORY OURSELF.

"Cancer" Tablets are mailed and guaranteed by Kidd Drug Company, Elgin, Ill., to cure all forms of diseases of Urinary organs, and system, Bladder, etc., including Gonorrhea, Gleet, Whites, Leucorrhoea, unnatural discharges, irritations and ulcerations of the urinary organs and mucous membranes never gives stricture, harmness and painless. An internal remedy with injections combined; only one in the world. Sent per mail on receipt of price, \$3 per package or 2 for \$5. Don't fool with cheap substitutes. Retail and wholesale of J. R. Harburt Co., Des Moines, Ia. Full line of Rubber Goods; name what you want.

Low Rates to California and Back this Summer.

An illustrated book, which will be of much interest to all who are expecting to take advantage of the low rates to California this summer, at the time of the Epworth League Convention, to be held in San Francisco in July, has just been issued by the Chicago & North Western Railway. Much valuable information is given relating to the state, variab route, etc. The rate via this line will only be \$50.00 for the round trip from Chicago, with corresponding low rates from other points. Copy of this book may be had free upon application to W. B. Knisker, 22 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

ORIGINAL NOTICE.

James Dillingham Plaintiff
vs.
Elizabeth A. Dillingham Defendant
County May Term, A. D. 1901.

To Elizabeth A. Dillingham: You are hereby notified that on or before the 25th day of April, A. D. 1901, the petition of plaintiff in the above entitled cause will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the State of Iowa, in and for Polk County, Iowa, claiming of you an absolute divorce on the grounds of inhuman treatment. For a more specific statement see petition when on file, and unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next term, being the May term of said Court, which will commence at Des Moines on the 6th day of May 1901, default will be entered against you and judgment and decree rendered thereon.

Dated this 11th day of April, 1901.
WILLIAM A. MARSH,
I. E. WILLIAMSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT CARDS.

Please announce my name as a candidate for one of the members of the House of Representatives from Polk county, subject to the decision of the republican convention.
EMORY H. ENGLISH.

Please announce my name as a candidate for State Senator of Polk county, subject to the Republican County Convention.
CASSIUS M. DOWELL.

I hereby announce my name as a candidate for a member of the Legislature, subject to the decision of the republican county convention.
P. F. MALLY.

I hereby authorize the announcement of my name as a candidate for County Superintendent of Public Schools, subject to the county convention.
Z. C. THORNBURG.

Will you please announce my name as a candidate for member of County Supervisor from Lee township, subject to the republican voters of said township.
JOHN LOVENBERG.

Please announce my name as a candidate for member of the Legislature, subject to the republican convention.
W. H. HEATON.

Please announce my name as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the republican convention.
JOHN MCKAY, Sr.

I am a candidate for renomination for second term for Supervisor First Supervisory District, subject to republican primary and convention.
FRANK T. MORRIS.

In answer to a petition signed by prominent East Des Moines business men, W. W. Wise has consented to run for the nomination of county supervisor, subject to the will and pleasure of the republican county convention.

ALBIA NOTES.

Mr. Will Hollingworth is very sick at this writing.
Mrs. Della Martin returned home Thursday morning, after a week and a half visit at the parental home.
A surprise party was tendered Mr. W. G. Davis Saturday evening, it being his 33d birthday. Many of his friends were present. Games, music and conversation were the principal features of the evening.
Misses Carrie Spicer and Henerietta Sones visited Mrs. Grayson a few days of this week in Hiteman.
Messrs. Underwood and Green of Hocking spent Sunday in Albia.
Miss Carrie Spicer returned home Sunday evening, after a pleasant week's visit with Miss H. Jones in Albia.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

Well, I told you to stop chewing gum. Talk about powdering your face. They say some of them really put on sack cloth and ashes; told a love story too. Some one must have said no. Tell you women about talking of your neighbors to other folks. They'll tell on you the first chance they get.
Well it seems as if spring is here. The Glocester shut down for two days on account of not having any corn.
Mrs. Howard of Albia visited over Sunday with her daughter. Mrs. G. L. Suter.
Prof. Owens Walker will give a lecture Thursday the 18, on his travels through Old and New Mexico. Come out and hear him.
Mr. Chas Martin of Cedar Rapids is in our city for a few days.
We as a race of people believe that there is always a way to tell a person what you want them to do without insulting them before a crowd.
There is not any one perfect in Marshalltown, and the way to teach people to do better is to tell them of the blessed life of the Savior, and the beauties of a christian confidence.
Warm weather is coming now, and some of us are growing independent; don't care what we say or do.
Mr. Walker Cotton's little boy is quite sick.
Petition of nearly 100 names to be appointed extra policeman.

If troubled with rheumatism give Chamberlain's Pain-Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any bites, treatment. Cuts, burns, frost-bites, hot quinsy, pains in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price 25 and 50 cts. For sale by all Druggists.

EPWORTH LEAGUE AND YELLOWSTONE PARK.

Facts like these talk and if you contemplate taking advantage of the low Epworth League rates to San Francisco next July, \$59.00. Chicago back to Chicago via either Ocean or Shasta route from San Francisco to Portland, you are entitled to know that on similar occasion three years ago, 95 per cent of the Christian Endeavorers returning by way of Portland used the Northern Pacific Ry., and more than half this number visited Yellowstone Park, which is reached by rail from Livingston, Montana—a point on the main line of the N. P. R. less than two hours ride by rail from Cinnabar, at the entrance to the park.
This is the railway that runs the famous "NORTH COAST LIMITED"—the Crack train of the Northwest. Send 6 cents in stamps to Chas. S. Fee, St. Paul, Minn., for Wonderful 1901 and an Epworth League map folder and decide for yourself as to the route you will use.

PHYSICIAN IS MURDERED

Shot While Riding in His Buggy.

THE CRIME OF ASSASSINS.

Dr. S. Scruggs Was Returning Home After Visit to a Patient in Memphis—Bloodhounds on the Trail of the Murderers.

Memphis, Tenn., April 19.—Dr. Hal S. Scruggs, one of the leading physicians of this country, was assassinated about 10 o'clock last night on Poplar boulevard, one of the most prominent thoroughfares leading from Memphis, while returning from a professional call. The physician was riding in his buggy when two assassins, who had lain in ambush, crept up behind and shot him in the back of the head. One pistol ball penetrated his brain. The tragedy is shrouded in mystery, although officers have been working on the case all day. They have a slight clue, and if the guilty parties are apprehended, it is believed that summary punishment will be inflicted. After the assassination the body of the physician fell to the box of the buggy. The horse went direct to the physician's home, passing the house three times, and grazed all night in a grove near the residence. The wheel tracks of the buggy were found today. This morning the animal appeared at the physician's stable. A passing dairyman discovered the remains in the buggy. An alarm was immediately given, and since that time every effort has been made to capture the assassins. The occupants of a negro's cabin opposite the scene of the murder say they heard two shots early last night. The ball which entered Scruggs' head was of 38-caliber. Another of 32-caliber was found lodged in the frame of the buggy, which supports the belief that two men are implicated. Bloodhounds were put upon the trail of the men this morning, as the tracks of two persons leading from the scene were found in the mud, but on account of last night's heavy rain the dogs could not follow the trail. Dr. Scruggs was a school director and had trouble with the patrons of a school on account of an order promulgated requiring parents to send written excuses to teachers when their children were absent. This caused bitter feeling, and an indignation meeting was held at which the life of the physician was threatened. It is believed that the murder grew out of this trouble. The fact that Dr. Scruggs was shot from the rear, with other circumstances of the assassination, tends to show that the murderers were well acquainted with the dead man's movements and watched his departure from home. Scruggs was taken by surprise, and it is hardly believed that he had any conversation with the assassins.

Killed in Steamer Explosion.
Vancouver, B. C., April 19.—Four people are dead and seven more probably fatally injured as the result of an explosion on the steamer Ramona, which plies on the Fraser river. The accident happened when the boat was in midstream, opposite Fort Langley, thirty miles from Vancouver. Mrs. Harry Morrison of Langley and Mrs. J. Bailey of Mount Lehman were knocked into the water and drowned. Two deck hands, James Mack and Andrew Phillips, were struck by one of the flying boiler plates and instantly killed. A. Bower, the purser, J. Maynard, mate, and Victor Nowell, the fireman, were burned so badly that they cannot recover. Four Indians were dreadfully scalped, and only one of these is expected to recover.

Large Lien on Paper.
Chicago, April 19.—The largest mortgage ever placed on a newspaper was filed with the county recorder yesterday. The document was signed by H. H. Kohlsaat and mortgaged the property of the Chicago Herald company for \$3,600,000. The mortgage is made in favor of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, in trust for the holders of \$3,600,000 worth of bonds recently issued by the Chicago Herald company.

SHOT DEAD IN WOODS.

Evan Bledsoe Killed for Clandestine Meeting.
Richmond, Va., April 18.—Because he had been meeting a girl clandestinely Evan Bledsoe has been shot to death.

Bledsoe left his home at Blackwater last Saturday to go hunting. His dead body was found several hours later in the woods. A letter addressed to him was taken by his mother from the postoffice. It was written by a young woman, who told him that her brothers were very angry at his attentions to her and that he must not meet her at the place agreed upon, as he would be killed. Later his body was found. He had been shot from behind. No arrests have been made.

Major Joseph S. Bryce Dead.
New York, April 18.—Joseph Smith Bryce, father of Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish and grandfather of Hamilton Fish, Jr., killed in Cuba, died this morning, aged ninety-three.

Counterfeiter Skoog Dies.
New York, April 19.—John Albert Skoog, alias Albert Jensen, the alleged counterfeiter, who shot himself twice in the head April 8, died today.

Morgan Enys Portrait.
London, April 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the recently recovered Gainsborough portrait of the Duke of Devonshire.

GROVER WANTS QUIET.

Likely to Purchase a Place in Tyingham, Mass.

Winsted, Conn., April 18.—Former President Grover Cleveland is negotiating for the purchase of the Callahan place, in Tyingham, Mass., according to a report received here. While a guest at the summer residence of Richard Watson Gilder in Tyingham last season, when he was ordered to stop fishing in a posted trout stream belonging to a farmer named Johnson, the ex-president looked over the Callahan property with a view to purchasing it. He expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the surroundings. There are several fine trout streams on and contiguous to the place, where Mr. Cleveland could fish without fear of being molested. He is expected in Tyingham this week.

KILL SHERIFF IN FIGHT.

Friends of Man Ho Slew Sheriff in Ambush.

Phoenix, Ariz., April 18.—Sheriff Ed Beeler of Apache county, well known throughout the southwest, was ambushed and killed in a fight more than a month ago. News of the fight has just reached here. Beeler fell mortally wounded by a volley from behind a stone wall. At first it was believed he was the victim of cattle rustlers, against whom he had made a long and bitter warfare, but later it developed that the assassins were friends of a man whom he had killed. The friends of both dead men are in arms, and more fighting is likely to follow. A large party of officers and Beeler men are in pursuit of the assassins.

Boomers Wait on Line.
Ardmore, I. T., April 18.—A number of persons are camped along the borders of Kiowa and Comanche Reservations awaiting official permission to enter. It is conservatively estimated that not one person in ten will be able to obtain free lands. The suggestion of the Interior Department to adopt the lottery plan is favored by the boomers. Much complaint is being made to government officials to the effect that schemers are selling alleged homestead lots.

Notice of the fraud is being called to the attention of the prospective settlers.

Rheumatic Man Ties Up Road.
Charleston, W. Va., April 18.—All trains on the Point Pleasant-Charleston division of the Kanawha & Michigan railroad were delayed for two hours by grounded telegraph wires. After long search by the station agents in the grounded district, which extended over blocks of thirty miles, an ignorant farmer was found taking what he called "a cure for rheumatism." He had thrown a wire over the telegraph lines and confessed he did not know any harm could come to the railroad by his acts.

Try Her for Slaying.
Raleigh, N. C., April 18.—The trial of Mary Mills, a negro woman charged with murder, began at Shelby yesterday. It is charged that she carried a pistol to her husband, with which he shot Mills Flack, a prominent white man. The husband was lynched a few hours later. The judge issued bench warrants for the lynchers identified by her. They have all fled, and some prove to be witnesses against her. This may result in a continuance of the trial.

Orders Euchre Players Indicted.
Thomasville, Ga., April 18.—In his charge to the grand jury, Judge A. W. Fife ordered the jurors to consider progressive euchre parties for prizes as gambling and to indict the participants as they would other gamblers. The fact that the game was played in the homes of the wealthy, the judge said, would not justify the grand jury in ignoring the breach of the law.

Marconi Sees Edison.
Orange, N. J., April 18.—Thomas A. Edison entertained Signor Marconi and a party of New Yorkers, including several railroad men. He took them through the phonograph works, machine shops and laboratory in West Orange. It was said that the visit was purely a social one, and had nothing to do with the experiments of the inventors.

Cubbison Out for Senate.
Topeka, Kan., April 18.—Senator J. B. Cubbison has announced his candidacy for the United States senate to succeed W. A. Harris. Cubbison is an orator and is well known in Kansas politics. He has served in both branches of the state legislature.

Life Crushed Out by Cog.
Hillsboro, Ohio, April 18.—Henry H. Puckett, thirty years old, was killed in Bell & Co.'s machine shop. He was oiling machinery, when he was caught between two rapidly revolving cog wheels. His head and breast were crushed and he died instantly.

King to See Trial Races.
Glasgow, April 19.—It is definitely announced that King Edward will witness the trial races between Shamrock I. and Shamrock II. in the Solent at the end of the first week in May from the deck of Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht Erin.

Vessels Is Still Alive.
Cape Town, April 18.—News has been received at Cradock from Heilbron that Andries Vessels, one of the peace envoys reported to have been killed by order of General Dewet, is alive.

Crude Alcohol Kills Boy.
Corry, Pa., April 18.—Five young boys drank crude wood alcohol at Sheffield yesterday and one, John Sworski, is dead. The others are very low. Their ages range from 8 to 12 years.

THE CHINESE ARE HOSTILE

Troops Massing in the Province of Shansi.

GREAT TROUBLE IS FEARED.

Imperial Court May Be Playing a Double Game—Much Depends on the Result of the Franco-German Expedition Sent Against General Liu.

Peking, April 19.—Trustworthy Chinese report that troops in large numbers are massing in the province of Shansi, near the frontier of the province of Chihli. Well-informed natives prophesy further trouble. It is impossible to ascertain whether the court is playing a double game, or its authority is insufficient to prevent the Chinese generals acting in a manner likely to provoke hostilities. The fact that for many months there has been nothing in the shape of a de facto government favors the latter hypothesis. Probably a great deal will depend upon the Franco-German expedition inflicting a severe defeat upon the Chinese who have transgressed the amendment by entering the sphere of the allies. If these offenders are thoroughly punished it is likely to produce a good effect. The palace of the empress, inhabited by Count von Waldersee and his staff, was burned to the ground today. Major General Schwartzkopf, Count von Waldersee's chief of staff, is missing. With the exception of the military papers everything was destroyed. A missionary of the name of Killie (the Rev. Mr. Kelly, Presbyterian missionary?) has returned from San Ho, where Christians were burned to death in December. Killie reports to General Chaffee that some time ago several of his converts were killed. He had the guilty parties tried in the Chinese courts, where they were convicted and sentenced to death, subject to Li Hung Chang's signature. Killie came to Peking and saw Li Hung Chang, who said the men should be executed immediately. On going to San Ho three weeks later the missionary found the men alive. He spoke to a judge of the Chinese courts on the matter, who thereupon showed him a letter from Li Hung Chang, giving explicit instructions that the men must not be executed, as they had only been convicted on the testimony of Christians, consequently the evidence was untrustworthy. Killie has a copy of this letter. In the meantime the French had proved the same men guilty of incendiarism and other outrages, and demanded their execution, whereupon the judge again showed his orders from Li Hung Chang. The French authorities replied that if the men were not executed within eight days they would take the law into their own hands and punish the Chinese officials likewise. The ministers of the foreign powers view with alarm the expedition against General Liu Kuan Ting, as they think he will retreat, probably laying waste the villages he traverses and killing native Christians, and that such actions will be used as an excuse by the military for further aggression, which would probably be the taking of Tai-Yuan-Fu, the capital of Shansi province. Captain Reeves, attached to the American legation here, accompanies the expedition to observe happenings on behalf of the United States. At today's meeting of the foreign ministers the question of indemnities was discussed. It is now estimated that £70,000,000 will cover all claims.

Empress' Palace Burns at Peking.
Peking, April 19.—The palace of the empress, inhabited by Count von Waldersee and his staff, was burned to the ground today. Major-General Schwartzkopf, Count von Waldersee's chief of staff, has disappeared. With the exception of the military papers everything was destroyed. Count von Waldersee escaped from the burning palace through a window with great difficulty. Major-General Schwartzkopf is believed to have lost his life by returning to the burning building after having escaped from it. Incendiarism is suspected.

Waldersee Reports Chinese Advance.
Berlin, April 19.—Field Marshal Count von Waldersee telegraphs from Peking that he has been informed that 20,000 Chinese are advancing through the defiles between the provinces of Shansi and Chihli. It is not known whether their intentions are peaceable or warlike.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.					
Chicago Board of Trade.					
Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
May	70 3/4	70 3/4	70 3/4	70 3/4	
July	70 3/4	71 1/4	70 3/4	71 1/4	
Corn—					
May	44 1/2	44 3/4	44 1/2	44 1/2	
July	44	44 1/4	43 3/4	44	
Oats—					
May	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/2	25 1/2	
July	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/2	25 1/2	
Pork—					
May	14.10	14.17 1/2	14.10	14.17 1/2	
July	14.10	14.35	14.25	14.35	
Lard—					
May	8.10	8.10	8.10	8.10	
July	8.00	8.02 1/2	8.00	8.02 1/2	
Sept.	7.95	8.00	7.95	8.00	
S. ribs—					
May	8.20	8.22 1/2	8.17 1/2	8.20	
July	7.90	7.92 1/2	7.90	7.92 1/2	
Sept.	7.85	7.87 1/2	7.82 1/2	7.85	

Lawyer Dies from Opium.
New York, April 19.—J. W. Willard, a lawyer of Bedford, Ind., died at the Clarendon hotel here today from an overdose of opium. A coroner will investigate the death.

DAN GROSVENOR SAYS:

"Peruna Is an Excellent Spring Catarrh Remedy—I am as Well as Ever."



HON. DAN A. GROSVENOR, OF THE FAMOUS OHIO FAMILY.

Hon. Dan A. Grosvenor, Deputy Auditor for the War Department, in a letter written from Washington, D. C., says:

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Hon. John Williams, County Com., Duluth, Minn., says the following in a letter, of 517 West Second street, regard to Peruna: "As a remedy for

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Miss Mattie L. Guild, President Illinois Young People's Christian Temperance Union, in a recent letter from Chicago, Ill., says:

"I doubt if Peruna has a rival in all the remedies recommended to-day for catarrh of the system. A remedy that will cure catarrh of the stomach, will cure the same condition of the mucous membrane anywhere. I have found it the best remedy I have ever tried for catarrh, and believing it worthy my endorsement I gladly accord it."

Mrs. Elmer Fleming, orator of Reservoir Council, No. 168, Northwestern Legion of Honor, of Minneapolis, Minn., writes from 2535 Polk St., N. E.:

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RACE ECHOES.

Governor-elect White, of West Virginia, has just appointed Prof. W. S. Starks of that state as state librarian. This is the first appointment of its kind ever given to a colored man in the state.

A colony of one hundred colored people left Knoxville, Tenn., last Monday for Hawaiian Islands where they go to work on sugar plantations. They are provided with transportation and guaranteed permanent employment.

The recent appointment of William T. Reid to be head foot ball coach of the Crimson 'varsity eleven next fall, has aroused a storm of protest and disapproval among a great many of the graduates and undergraduates, who think that this position should rightfully be given to William H. Lewis, the famous center rusher, who has been the backbone of Harvard foot ball ever since his graduation, in 1893. There seems to be an intimate understanding, privately asserted, though never publicly admitted, that, although Harvard will accord a colored man equal privileges as a student, such a person is not desired at the head of any department in athletics.—Brooklyn Eagle.

In a chemical laboratory near Boston, Mass., where various kinds of extracts, such as lemon, Jamaica ginger, vanilla, fine soaps and other cosmetics are manufactured for the trade, the head chemist is a Negro; so too is the chief designer and pattern maker in a leading factory in Monroe county, New York, which makes a specialty of manufacturing tools and agricultural implements. In a cutlery establishment in Indiana which has a reputation for the excellence of its pen knives, scissors and table knives, a Negro's skill and ingenuity has made its reputation feasible.

Benjamin O. Davis, of the District of Columbia, is the first colored man to pass an examination for promotion from the ranks of the army to the grade of second lieutenant.

Davis, who is a sergeant-major in the Ninth Cavalry, a colored regiment, entered a recent examination at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., with 17 other enlisted men. Of these 12 were successful and Davis stood third in the list of those passing. His average was 91 per cent and he stood particularly well in international law and military science and tactics.

Davis is a native of the District of Columbia and a graduate of the Washington schools. He was a major in the Colored High School Cadet Corps, and at the Spanish War was appointed a lieutenant in the Eighth Regiment of immunes. When this regiment was mustered out Davis determined to secure a commission in the regular army, and taking the only course open to him, enlisted in the Ninth Cavalry.

There is already one colored officer in the army, Capt. Charles Young, of the Ninth Cavalry, who entered the army through the Military Academy at west Point.

MAJOR TAYLOR IN FRANCE

Thousands of persons gather daily at the Autenil track to watch Major Taylor at his work. Not since the days of Zimmerman has France so great a bicycling sensation as Taylor has created.

He has been dubbed the "Black" Zimmerman and is followed everywhere by curious throngs that seem never to tire of their latest novelty. He has more engagements than a theatrical star. An amusing scene occurred on the 29

of March when he and Jacquelin, his French rival for the world's championship met on the boulevard.

Jacquelin recognized him at once, bowed pironetted and embraced him, jabbering away in his own language all the time while Taylor smiled broadly, side-stepped, broke ground and did his best generally not to be out done by the courteous Frenchman. Finally they linked arms and sauntered away conversing volubly.

An attendance of 50,000 is expected to the meet on May 15 when Taylor and Jacquelin race for the first time. France is wondering whether Taylor will be another Zimmerman or fail like John S. Johnson. It is predicted that the Major will carry away many thousands of dollars in the excess of the \$3,300 guarantee which caused him to make the trip.

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NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.

State of Iowa, Polk County, ss: To John T. M. Pierce: You are hereby notified that on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1892, the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa was sold for taxes for the year 1891 which real estate is described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty (20) Block Ten (10) Jack's Plat, 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 E. A. Davis and a certificate issued to him by the Treasurer of Polk county, Iowa, and by the said Davis 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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CARRIER PIGEONS.

Their Use on Land and Sea Is Steadily Increasing.

Here is a new word for you, columbophilism. It means raising and training messenger pigeons. Within the last few years this industry has grown wonderfully. The governments of Belgium, Germany, France and the United States are training these birds to serve as messengers from army stations. The United States makes use of them more especially from ships. Nearly every one of our big ships carries a coop of homing pigeons, as they are called, which are released as occasion demands, and almost without exception the birds go with unerring swiftness to their home on shore, carrying a tiny tube fastened to one leg, which contains a message written on the thinnest of paper. They can be depended upon to go a hundred miles at a speed of fifty miles an hour when they are three years old. Special attention has recently been paid in France to the use of carrier pigeons by the cavalry. The bird is placed in a wicker tube lined with hair to deaden the effect of the jolting. Three such tubes can be carried in a basket, which is attached to the rider's shoulders in the same way as a knapsack. The bird's feet are drawn up and its wings are folded when it is placed in the tube, and a light form of folding cage is carried, in which the birds can rest and eat during a halt. Twelve men are sent every year from the French cavalry ranks to attend a course of instruction in the treatment and handling of pigeons at the military pigeon station at Vaugirard. The sense that guides the pigeon back to its home is as much a mystery now as it ever was. When set at liberty, it immediately rises in the air in a spiral, higher and higher, as if getting its bearings, then away it goes in the right direction. A nightfall the bird goes into camp near water, and early next morning resumes the journey.—Little Chronicle.

SMOKELESS FUEL.

Patent Being Made at a Railroad Power House.

Test for the elimination of the smoke nuisance, and a revolution in method of combustion, are under way at the Fourteenth street power house of the Illinois Central railroad, says the Chicago News. Fed by automatic hoppers, a battery of boilers is being operated by the consumption of coal dust. Fires that burn with the fury of volcanoes rage under them, while from glass peepholes arranged at every point of vantage, combustion experts watch the developments. As though to complete the suggestion of a volcano, the fires produce no cinders. Streams of lava form in a small pool on the floor of the ash pit, and are removed in a solid mass from time to time. Apparatus that is under test is the property of the Schwartzkopf Coal Dust Firing company, a German concern. Schwartzkopf, a son of the famous Teutonic torpedo maker, made the first steps toward perfecting the system, which was completed by the discoveries of Arthur C. Hesselmeier, an American attached to the German navy. The European concern immediately purchased Mr. Hesselmeier's ideas, and he is now in Chicago conducting the actual tests that are being made by Edward Trumbo at the railroad power house. Illinois coal of a cheap grade is reduced to a fine powder and by means of a draught is automatically fed into a combustion chamber. Only the faintest suggestion of smoke trails away from the tall chimney, and it is asserted that the customary pressure of steam being maintained, with a large saving of fuel.

FACTOR IN POLITICS.

New Federation of Australia Must Hereafter Be Considered.

Australia is to Great Britain the most valuable of all her colonies, writes Hugh M. Lusk in the North American Review. The external influence of Australia in the south Pacific is bound to make itself felt before long. Those who know Australia best will have the least doubt that she will find means ere long to use that influence for purposes beneficial to herself. Her people were far from pleased with what was done in the case of Samoa; and it is safe to say that no such policy of concession will ever command the assent of united Australia. The sphere of her first interests will, for the present, be confined mainly to the Pacific and Indian oceans to the south of the equator. She will be interested in the Loyalty group, where France is established, and in the New Hebrides, where she is very anxious to establish herself. She will be solicitous about the Solomon Islands, part of which are at present recognized as German territory, and she will take a very deep interest in the future of New Guinea, part of which belongs to Germany, and the rest, beyond the British section, is understood to form part of Holland's great but little used estate in the eastern archipelago. These will undoubtedly be Australia's first cares, but she will not be content with these for very long. Siam, French and southern China and Borneo are natural markets for her trade, which in the next ten years will be a rapidly increasing one, and, in relation to all these, she will expect to exercise large influence.

Immense Herring Traffic.

The annual North sea herring voyage, which begins off the Northumberland coast, has resulted, on the completion of the first stage, in a catch of over 10,000 crans of herrings, valued at about £70,000. A cran contains, according to size, from 600 to 1,000 fish. As the fish move southward, the big fleet of several hundred sail follows, and it is now making its headquarters at Grimsby, whence its operations will shortly be transferred to Yarmouth and Lowestoft, where the fishing continues until Christmas, and affords employment to many thousands of both men and women, says Tit-Bits. Last year at Yarmouth alone no fewer than 348,000,000 herrings were landed, and as this year steam fishing boats have largely replaced sailing vessels, it is expected this great total will be far exceeded, for in a single week 12,000 crans have been taken on the northern grounds, giving a return of over £14,000 to the fishermen.

Most Tongues Have No Bible.

The terms of the Arrington bequest, of a great sum of money to the various missionary societies has resulted in the disclosure of the fact that there are hundreds of tribes without a version of the Bible in their tongues. In spite of the splendid efforts that have been made. It is estimated that there are 2,000 languages and dialects in the world, and the British and Foreign Bible Society have had the Bible, the New Testament, and portions of the scriptures translated into a little over 400 of them. That leaves, roughly speaking, 1,600 different tribes and peoples who have not the word in their own language or dialect. Many of these tribes live in Central Africa, others in Siberia and "Holy" Russia.

Dentist's Sponge in Windpipe.

Sponges which are used in surgical operations once in a while are left in the wound, and then death is bound to ensue soon or later. A young English collier named Finney had eleven teeth extracted under ether by Dr. Griffiths, and when efforts were being made to restore him to consciousness he sprang from the chair, fell back and died. Sponges had been placed in his mouth to absorb blood from the gums, and one of them, which was left in his mouth by inadvertence after the extractions had been made, entered the windpipe and caused suffocation.—New York Press.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES.

In National Contests the Heaviest Outlay Is Near the Close.

The most expensive work of a national campaign is done during the last three weeks before the election. Every doubtful state and city is closely watched by men prompt to discover every change in the political tide, and money is transmitted in large sums to the localities in which it is believed it will produce the best results. A few days before the election in 1888 West Virginia received \$44,000 from the democratic national committee and the Republicans sent \$50,000 to the same state. About the same time the Democrats sent \$100,000 into Indiana; and three nights before the election Chairman Quay of the Republican national committee sent \$300,000 from New York to trusted lieutenants in Fort Wayne, Ind. A fortnight before the election in 1896 the Republicans became doubtful about Iowa, says World's Work. Chairman Hanna at once resolved upon a personal canvass of every doubtful voter in the state. He proposed that every voter not classed on the polling lists either as a downright Democrat or a downright Republican should be visited by some zealous and tactful member of the Republican party. Before election day the thousands of such men in towns, in cities and in the country were sought out and appealed to by the Republicans most likely to win them; and this canvass is said to have cost the Republican national committee more than \$200,000. Reckoning all the expenses in all the states, it may be roughly estimated that a presidential campaign, including also congressional, gubernatorial and lesser campaigns, causes the total expenditure of perhaps \$20,000,000.

EARLY STEAMERS.

Incidents Concerning Beginning of a Line of Boats.

The Collins line of American steamers was established in 1847. Two years later, on April 27, 1849, its first vessel, the steamer Atlantic, sailed from New York. The line was withdrawn in 1857, soon after the government had refused to renew the mail contract with it. The history of its steamers briefly told, is as follows: On September 27, 1854, the Arctic came into collision with the French steamer Vesta and was sunk, only a few of her passengers being saved; on January 23, 1856, the Pacific sailed from Liverpool with 240 persons on board, including the wife of Mr. Collins, and was never heard of afterward; the Atlantic was broken up in New York in 1879; the Adriatic, built at Greenpoint, N. Y., by Steers, was sold to the Galway company, and was afterward used as a coal hulk in England; the Baltic was in the government service during the civil war as a supply vessel, and was afterward sold at auction; her machinery being removed and sold as old iron, she was converted into a sailing ship and used as a grain carrying vessel between San Francisco and Great Britain until 1880, when she was broken up. When the civil war began the New York and Havre Steam Navigation company, to which the Fulton and Arago were chartered, was withdrawn; the Arago was then sold to the Peruvian government, while the Fulton became a United States transport vessel for awhile, but she soon became useless and was broken up.—New York Weekly.

Benjamin Harrison's Lunch.

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 '80s, 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 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.

Shot an Exulting Englishman.

The British and the Boers at Pieters Hill were crouching behind boulders scattered over a wide surface. The moment a man on either side emerged from his cover he was at once the target of the enemy's bullets. A Boer, partly, it seemed, in bravado, made a sudden dash to join a neighbor. An Englishman who had long watched the rock and was becoming sick with hope deferred, took aim and brought the daring one down. So delighted was he with his luck that he threw himself on his back behind the shallow shelter of his bowlder and kicked his heels into air. In his transport his heel rose above the rock, as he was instantly made aware by a bullet transfixing his fluttering ankle.—New York Tribune.

Diseased by Eating Dead Rats.

One whole family and two guests were the other day afflicted with trichinae poisoning from eating sausage, in Nicollet county, Minn. A microscopic examination of some of the muscular tissue from one of the bodies confirmed the diagnosis of trichinae poisoning. The hog whose raw flesh was used in the sausage, after being merely smoked, was raised and killed and is supposed to have contracted the disease by eating dead rats. It is said by the physicians that rats are almost always afflicted by the disease, and that rats often die of it after eating them.



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