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CITY NEWS

Mr. Jackson of Osceola is a fair visitor.

Mr. Geo. H. Mason has returned to our city.

Clance Weeks of Ottumwa is visiting his cousin Rollen Weeks.

Mrs. Bird and daughter of Knoxville are state fair visitors.

There was a card party given at the home of Mr. Edward Morton on 9th.

Mrs. J. R. Erickson returned last Tuesday from a visit in Missouri.

Miss Jennette Perry of Muehakeok is visiting the Misses Nettie and Alice Williams.

Mrs. Taylor of E. 13th street is serving meals and lunches at the fair grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones of Montezuma are in the city visiting relatives and attending the fair.

Miss Delphia Norris, who is visiting in Mt. Pleasant, has decided to remain until Christmas.

Mrs. Geo. Strothers returned home Monday from Mt. Pleasant after a visit of several weeks.

Miss Pearl Leftage of St. Joseph, returned home Sunday after a very pleasant visit with her sister.

Miss Bertha Thompson of Leon is a state fair visitor. She is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Roy of 1222 Pleasant street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones left Thursday evening for their home in Montezuma, after spending several days in the city with relatives and friends.

Miss Lillie Morton of Decatur City is a fair visitor this week, visiting with her Aunt Mrs. A. J. Vaughn and other friends.

Mr. Henry Stanton who is spending the summer in St. Joseph made a visit home Sunday, returning Sunday evening.

Chas. S. Ruff has been drawn as a juror for the September term of the district court. He will be the only representative that we will have this term.

Miss Samantha McKee of Adel is a State Fair visitor this week. She is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Roy of 1222 Pleasant street.

There was a party given at the home of Mrs. Scott by the Misses Grace and Anna Smith which was very well attended and pleasant time was had by all.

Mrs. D. M. Bowmer and daughter returned from Mt. Pleasant Monday, after a very pleasant visit of several weeks with relatives and friends.

Miss Hattie Bullard Carrollton, Mo., is visiting her brother Mr. W. H. Humbard. She expects to make this city her future home.

Mr. Wm. Humbard has purchased some valuable property on 6th Ave., and North street, he does not intend to live there at present, but has rented it to Mr. John Glass.

Rev. R. Jackson, assistant pastor of the First African Baptist church, will preach Sunday morning from the third chapter of Philippians and 3rd verse. In the evening from Habakkuk 2nd chapter and 4th verse.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of Colfax were visitors at the fair grounds Sunday.

The Misses Spears, Francis Walker, Wilson, and Dorsey were BYSTANDER callers Thursday.

The Misses Wilson of Osceola and Dorsey of New Virginia are the guests of Miss Francis Walker this week.

Harding Ice Cream is always best and suits the people. Phones 647. 762 Ninth street.

Mr. Fred Anthony of Boone spent a few days in the city this week and attending the state fair.

Wm. Scott of Indianola is in the city visiting friends and the fair. He is a successful farmer.

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

The A. M. E. Sunday School is preparing a very interesting music and literary programme for the 10th of Sept. This is an effort to raise money for the Trustee's department and every friend should patronize it. The tickets are now in the hands of the Sunday School workers. Encourage them by buying one or more tickets.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and their daughter Mrs. Graham of Fayette Iowa have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bass and A. E. Lewis of Olive and also Mrs. Martha Bass of this city and other relatives, they will return home Saturday.

Rev. C. W. Holmes has just returned from Columbia, Mo., where he attended the District Conference of the M. E. church. He reported a pleasant session and good attendance the next year's meeting will be held in Des Moines next Aug. The district is composed of the states of Iowa Nebraska and Missouri and is called the St. Joseph District.

Dr. Aug. G. Edwards of Knoxville, Tennessee reached our city last Saturday with the view of permanently locating here, at first glance the Doctor is very well pleased with the outlook and if an opportunity is afforded him we are quite sure that he will convince the people here that he is fully qualified and competent to perform all the duties that his diploma claim for him. He is a graduate from Knoxville College and was a Physician-in-chief and nurse in the training department of the East Tennessee Industrial School. He comes to us highly recommended as a physician and surgeon, and we are quite sure that the race loving people of Des Moines will do all in their power to keep the doctor here.

Mackinac Island, Mich. Aug. 24.—Mr. J. L. Thompson. Dear Sir: Having heard that some of my friends are laboring under the impression that I was in serious trouble some time since. I avail myself of informing them through the columns of your paper of the falsity of the report, which is wholly untrue.

I am now on Mackinac Island and have been for some time, and am getting along nicely.

Trusting for the welfare of your paper, and with regards to friends, I am

Respectfully,
JESSE A. REED.

Att'y S. Joe Brown, A. B., LL. B., and P. B. K., of the law firm of Woodson & Brown, of Albia, arrived in the city Friday morning. He will remain over Sunday.

This is the young man's first visit to Des Moines since he walked away with the honors at the State University last June.

Mr. Brown is here looking after some legal matters for the firm and also attending to some private business for his senior partner. Mr. Woodson has been a hard and tireless worker and the continuous strain has weighed heavily on his weak constitution. All agree that the good old bachelor Barrister deserves a rest; and it will be gratifying to the many friends of both men to know that Mr. Woodson may safely divide his business cares with Mr. Brown, who is young, able and trustworthy.

The BYSTANDER welcomes the young man to Des Moines and hopes that his brief stay may be pleasant and profitable.

Card of Thanks.

Saylor, Iowa.—Mr. and Mrs. John Kime wish to thank the ladies and friends for their kind attention during the illness and death of their little son Fred.

The Democrats fail to get together on the money question.

All the evidence that a Missouri mob wants to convict a man of rape is that his skin is black.

If you are a republican you should begin to work for A. B. Cummins and the rest of the ticket.

The crime that was committed by the mob in Pierce City last week has no equal, even Sodom and Gomorrah cannot be considered.

The Gold Democrats returned from the Democratic State Convention with all their future hopes sadly disfigured.

It is said that Grover Cleveland is to write a book on his experience in politics. How would "Hard Times" do for a title?

The colored man has been chased by mobs under pretense of being guilty of some crime for more than thirty-five years. Will the government stop it or must he resort to retaliation?

When you come to consider the true situation of the southern colored man he has made wonderful progress and still has been in continual fear of his life.

Some day these red handed murderers, who are taking the lives of innocent men and driving helpless women and children from their humble homes, will meet the wrath of a just God.

ALABAMA LYNCHER CONVICTED.

Member of Mob That Killed Negro Sentenced to Life Imprisonment.

Wetumpka, Ala., Aug. 28.—Geo. Howard was to-day convicted of murder in the first degree and was sentenced to life imprisonment. Howard was a member of the mob that lynched Robert White, a Negro, several months ago.

Howard admitted his part in the lynching. He is one of the best-known farmers in his section of the country.

The cases against half a dozen others accused of being members of this mob are ready for trial. A number of men who are alleged to have taken part in the lynching have left the country.—Record-Herald.

Special Train Excursion to Spirit Lake and Okeboji.

Via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y on Saturday and Sunday, August 31st and September 1st. Special free program at Milwaukee Beach, Arnold's Park, as follows:

Grand concert and musicale will be given in the new pavilion at 1:30 p. m., free to holders of excursion tickets. Baseball game at 2:30 p. m., Sioux Falls vs. Flandreau. General admission free to holders of excursion tickets. Admission to Grand Stand 25 cents.

Five large excursion steamers on Okeboji Lake, the OKOBOJI, QUEEN IOWA, ILLINOIS and HIAWATHA. 25 cents for the round trip.

The finest steamboat dock on these lakes has just been completed at Milwaukee Beach, and all excursion steamers make their landings there.

The special train will leave Des Moines at 4:30 a. m. Sunday, September 1st, and returning will leave Arnold's Park at 7:00 p. m. the first Excursion ticket will be good going and returning only on special train. Round trip rate from Des Moines \$2.00.

This is an excellent opportunity for a nice outing and all excursionists are assured a pleasant time. For further particulars apply to Ticket Agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y.

When in Oskaloosa, Iowa, stop at Mr. Peter Williams, No. 216 North A street, for good meals and room.

Subscribe for the Bystander.

INNOCENT MEN KILLED BY THE ACTION OF A SAVAGE MOB.

We Give a Detail Account of an Eye Witness and a Former Respectable Citizen of this State—Whose Statement will be Accepted Without a Question of the Terrible Crime.

In the early afternoon of the 18th of August a young lady was assaulted and killed in the suburbs of Pierce City, Mo. Her murder was brutal in the extreme and aroused the feelings of the community to a high pitch of excitement. It is generally supposed that the murderer was a colored man, although the only proof to that effect is that a colored man was seen in the vicinity about an hour before the crime was committed. Soon after the body was discovered bloodhounds were put on the track of the murderer and they followed a trail to one of the Negro cabins. There is no doubt but that a Negro was in the vicinity of the place where the murder was committed, as before stated; but whether he was the one who committed the crime or only passed that way is not known. It is known that the man who occupied the cabin to which the bloodhounds followed the trail is not the guilty party. During the day, and especially during the afternoon and evening, a large crowd gathered on the streets of Pierce City for the avowed purpose of lynching any Negro against whom suspicion might point.

Monday evening about 9 o'clock I arrived in Pierce City, as I left the depot I saw upon the street, about a half block, a large crowd, and as I took a second look I saw that they were pulling a Negro up by a rope and were hanging him to the balcony of one of the principal hotels in the town. As soon as he was hanged the mob opened fire on him with all of the weapons available.

Immediately after the firing ceased the mob procured oil and set fire to all of the cabins, some seven or eight in number, and while the fire burned the crowd watched for escaping Negroes. I saw several escape from the rear of the burning homes, and it was a sight for the gods to behold to see the brave members of the mob armed with state guns firing at women and children as they fled from their burning homes. It really, however, could not make a man proud of his American citizenship, or the state of Missouri, or of the fair land of the south. For the crime of one man a whole community was outraged, men murdered women and children rendered homeless, and those who survived to leave town and dispose of their property as best they might. The man who committed the crime should be punished to the full extent of the law, but his crime, horrible though it was, appears to me even less than the deliberate and ferocious action of the human wolves who composed the mob.

With all the outrages which were committed in Pierce City on that evening the guilty man escaped. No one pretends to believe that the man who was hung was guilty. When the mob questioned him he said that he did not know who committed the crime, but the leader insisted that he did and wouldn't tell; therefore, they decided to hang him. It was further admitted that no Negro then in town was suspected of the murder, but the desire of the mob was for bloodshed. More than one-half of the drunken members which composed the mob voiced its sentiments when

they said they would kill every "nigger" in town or drive them out of town.

How much more proof will it require like the case before us to convince the people that it is prejudice against the colored man. There was not any proof against those helpless people. It is now claimed that the man who committed the deed is in Oklahoma. The colored men have suffered much at the hands of the brutal mobs. He has been kept in a continual fear of his life. How much longer will they have to endure this kind of treatment.

LYNCHING MUST STOP

So says Governor Acock of North Carolina. In the near future he will offer \$200 reward for all lynchings. The Governor has just returned from a deep study of this subject, and will as he says not hesitate to do all in his power to abate the crime of lynching by those brutal class of his citizens. When asked whether he thought lynching would check crime, he said on the contrary, it increases it. All good citizens desire to find some way to stop it. It increases whenever lynching is resorted to. Lynching tends to develop a spirit of revenge. No people can be high minded and great who yield to the passion of vengeance. When askee his opinion of the sentiment of the people of N. Carolina in regard to lynching; he said he thought the majority was against it, but when rape is committed if they don't actually participate in the lynching they will not aid in the persecution of lynchers. This is the great wrong as viewed by good citizens who will and should use every and all means to bring about a just punishment of any one who commits a crime. Lynching against the colored race is growing, growing and must be stopped. In conclusion he says that lynching in North Carolina must cease, and there will be a full investigation of each case in the near future.

RACE PREJUDICE.

The race prejudice runs higher against the American Negro then it does against any race in any civilized country. Notwithstanding the fact that America boasts of her high civilization and the christian spirit that prompted the forefathers to come to this country. There are but few places in the United States that the Negro is not made to feel that his color is against him. The Americans are not content to practice their American prejudice at home, they are now criticizing their English neighbor because they are disposed to treat his colored brother like a man. A number of these little 2x4 Americans are trying to boycott the manager of the St. Ermin's hotel, in London, because some of the bishops and leading ministers of the Methodist church are stopping there, while attending the Ecumenical conference. The manager said he entertained Hindus from India, and he saw no reason for discriminating against the American Negro. Englishmen have always been a friend of the Negro; while as a rule the American has been against him. If such christian gentlemen as Bishop Gains, Arnett, Tanner and Derrick are to be denied their rights what show has the race to hope for. These same Americans say they do object strongly to Negroes' presence in first class hotels frequented by white people, and protest against the privileges accorded to them in Europe generally.

Manager Richardson said: "I have received numerous written and verbal messages of congratulation and endorsement of the position I have taken."

It matters not how hard a colored man may try to be a man he will be reminded each day that he belongs to the despised race.

BISHOP TURNER ON NEGRO CRIMINALS.

The drastic remedies advocated by Bishop Turner of the African Methodist church for preventing the crime of assaulting white women is a shock to the country, not only because they are promulgated by a bishop but because they are directly opposed to the intelligent judgment of the people who have given serious thought to this most important question growing out of the race problem in the South.

Deportation of the blacks to Africa has been dismissed long ago by those who have studied the race question as impracticable and inhumane. As a solution of the race question, even though it were practicable, it would be a reproach to our christian civilization. The negroes came here in slavery, not of their own volition, and after freeing them from bondage and vesting them with the full privileges of citizenship it is now proposed to deport them to Africa. The word "deport," of course, is a misnomer in this instance, for the reason that the blacks who would be sent to Africa never resided there. They are citizens of the United States. If it is seriously proposed to found a colony of convicts and outcasts in some far off "Siberia" to which certain classes offenders are to be exiled the nation could not "draw the color line."

White criminals would have to be exiled as well as negroes and the statistics of criminology show that the whites would greatly outnumber the blacks in such a colony.

Anglo-Saxon civilization will not add to the blot of slavery the still blacker crime of branding them and then after it has liberated them and elevated them to citizenship. We cannot now turn back. The black race must be lifted up. The negro who commits a crime must be lawfully punished as the white criminal is punished. There can be no color line in the penal code without national dishonor and reproach to our civilization.

Branding the cheek of the black man and exiling him to a convict colony is revolting and repugnant to our ideas of justice and humanity. What to do with the black race is being solved in such institutions as the Tuskegee Institute at Tuskegee, Ala., and in hundreds of similar institutions where the negroes are being trained and educated for citizenship.—Record-Herald.

"Through the month of June and July our baby was teething and took a running off of the bowels and sickness of the stomach," says O. P. M. Holliday of Deming, Ind. "His bowels would move from five to eight times a day. I had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house and gave him four drops in a teaspoonful of water and he got better at once." Sold by all Druggists.

Sherry in the Coffee.

A little sherry and also coffee added to chocolate very much improves the drink. A tablespoonful of sherry and four of clear, strong coffee to six cups of chocolate is about the right proportion. Both should be added after the chocolate is taken from the fire.

Police Need Language Drill.

At the suggestion of a Chicago justice of the peace a school is to be opened in that city in which policemen will be taught elementary grammar, so that they can express themselves more clearly on the witness stand.

Baltimore's City Bacteriologist.

Dr. William Lloyd Stokes, bacteriologist of the city of Baltimore, has been elected a member of the faculty of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in that city, and has been given the chair of pathology.

World's Largest Apple Orchard.

Ex-Gov. Morrill of Kansas owns what is said to be the largest apple orchard in the world. When work now in progress has been completed, the orchard will contain 64,000 trees.

Elijah and "Dr." Dowle Compared.

"I am Elijah," says "Dr." Dowle. One difference that suggests itself is that whereas Elijah was fed by the ravens, Dowle is fed by the gulls.—New York Herald.

Tennessee's Zinc Mines.

Operations have begun in the zinc mines near Fall Branch, in Tennessee, where a furnace will be operated. The zinc deposit is extensive, and one of the richest ever mined in that state.

Mildred & Trevanion

BY THE DUCHESS.

CHAPTER XVII.—(Continued.)

"Why do you not reproach me?" she cried, passionately. "Abuse me, speak harshly to me—do anything but act toward me as you are doing; your kindness is killing me. Not all the epithets you could heap upon me would punish me sufficiently for all I have made you suffer. Have you forgotten that I actually thrust myself upon you—that it was I who offered myself to you that fatal night, not you who asked for me? Why do you not taunt me with all this? Have I to put these cruel thoughts into your head, or is it that you are too noble to use them against a woman? If you would only be unkind to me, I think I should not feel quite so wretched."

Lyndon smiled, though rather sadly. "I am afraid you will have to go on being wretched forever if you are waiting for me to be unkind to you," he said. "Do you know, strange as it may seem all the displeasure I felt in my heart against you has somehow disappeared, leaving only love and forgiveness in its place. I am not angry with you now, my darling; I am only sad, and a little lonely perhaps," he concluded, turning abruptly away.

After a short interval he came back to her side again, and went on with a forced cheerfulness that in nowise deceived her.

"However," he said, "of course this state of affairs will not last forever. Time, they say, cures all things. In the meantime I will get through a little traveling, I think, and refresh my memory about certain foreign cities, so good-bye for awhile, and do not quite forget me during my absence. And"—in a low tone—"remember, Mildred, that whatever you do, or whomsoever you marry, I wish you all the happiness that can possibly befall you."

"Are you sure you forgive me?" whispered Mildred, tremulously. "Think of all that has happened."

"I do, indeed," he said.

"Will you not kiss me then?" whispered Mildred.

So he kissed her once again, for the last time, upon her lips; and it was thus they parted.

CHAPTER XVIII.

Denzil did not appear to recover quite so rapidly as had been at first confidently expected, the inward injuries he had received—though slight—telling on him more seriously than the doctors had anticipated.

Mrs. Younge had been telegraphed for on the evening of the accident, and had arrived at King's Abbott early the following morning, having elected to travel all night rather than endure the agonies of suspense, though the telegram had been very reassuring.

The third day showed their patient apparently better than on the preceding one. There had been more decided symptoms of amendment, and he had gone through the dressing of his wounds with wonderful composure and stoicism. But toward evening he grew depressed and irritable, and evinced a faint inclination to wander; whereupon the doctor looked grave, shook his head and made certain changes in his medicine—but all to no purpose. The next day he was in a raging fever.

The fifth day after the fever first declared itself Lady Caroline, having insisted on the poor mother's lying down for an hour or two, was sitting in Denzil's room as the time wore on toward evening. Bending over his bed, she noticed a certain change in his face.

"What is it?" she asked, tenderly.

"Mildred," he whispered, with deep entreaty in his tone, and holding out his hand.

"I am not Mildred, dear Denzil," said Lady Caroline, thinking that he still raved; but he said:

"I know you are not," quite distinctly; and then again, "I want her—why does she never come to me?"

Poor Lady Caroline was greatly perplexed; she knew not what to do. Had things been different she would have followed the dictates of her own kind heart and sent for Mildred on the spot; but, as it was, she remembered former scenes and Lyndon's recent sad departure and did not care to take the responsibility on herself of bringing her daughter and Denzil together.

"Mildred, Mildred!" called the sick man, impatiently; and then the little ray of reason that had come to him in connection with her face vanished, and he wandered off once more into the terrible feverland, bearing with him the name of her he loved.

For two hours he lay thus, calling, sometimes wildly, sometimes feebly, but always for her, until his loving nurse's heart was smitten to the core.

At length came Stubber, the family doctor, and, seeing Denzil in this state, he regarded him silently for several minutes.

"Lady Caroline," said he, with decision, "Miss Trevanion must be sent for, be it right or wrong."

For which Lady Caroline blessed him secretly, and sent for Mildred forthwith.

She came without a moment's delay, and, even as her foot crossed the threshold of the door, a sudden silence fell on Denzil. He turned—the fever for a time sank conquered—while his beautiful eyes lit up with passionate expectation and fond hope.

Slowly and with hesitation Mildred advanced to the side of the bed, and then Lady Caroline went over to the

window, followed hurriedly by the doctor.

What happened after that nobody ever knew, for Lady Caroline and Stubber, standing with their backs to the bed, and their faces turned to the chilly outer world, could tell nothing.

When at length they returned to the bed they found Mildred pale and trembling, the heavy tears coursing each other down her cheeks in rapid succession, which she hastily brushed away as they drew nearer her, her hand tightly clasped in Denzil's. He had even made an effort to hold her with the poor injured fingers, and had brought them so far that the tips touched hers.

He was quite sane now. His face, slightly flushed, was looking upward; his eyes, glad and happy, were fixed on hers, while she answered back the gaze, forgetful of all else but that he lay before her sick, it might be, unto death.

"Denzil, you are exciting yourself," said Lady Caroline, nervously.

"No, I am not," answered Denzil, his voice clear and distinct, but without removing his eyes from Mildred's; "leave me for a moment."

He waved them back impatiently to the window, and neither Lady Caroline nor the doctor could bring themselves to disobey the command.

But Stubber, who was becoming seriously uneasy about his patient, glancing round at him cautiously and surreptitiously, saw what followed. He said that when he and Lady Caroline had again withdrawn, Denzil looked at Miss Trevanion, and that then Miss Trevanion stooped and kissed him, not once, but twice.

This was what Stubber said, but he also added that it was his firm belief that she did it out of pure humanity and nothing more. When two minutes later, he again approached Younge, he found that Mildred had disappeared, and that Denzil was lying perfectly composed, his face turned toward the half-open door. He sighed heavily but contentedly, and then came back to the realities of life.

"Doctor Stubber," said he, "do you know that I am better?"

"Time will tell," answered the little doctor, sententiously; "and now you must go to sleep if you wish to keep in that much-to-be-desired condition. Lady Caroline, I trust to you to let no more young ladies into the room this evening."

Denzil laughed quite rationally, and, changing over to the other side, in a few minutes, fell into a sound, refreshing slumber.

Not once again during all the remainder of his illness did Miss Trevanion enter Denzil's room; neither did he ask for nor allude to her in any way, although Lady Caroline noticed the intense look of interest that came into his face whenever her name was casually mentioned.

After a week or two, the remembrance of her visit faded, or came to him only as a shadow from the fevered past he had gone through, and not until the doctor had given him permission to quit his bed for an hour or so every day, to lie on a lounge in the adjoining apartment, did he venture to speak of it and try to discover the truth.

It was one morning, when he was feeling considerably stronger, and had Mabel beside his couch, reading to him scraps of poetry that every now and then struck her fancy as she glanced through the volume in her hand, that he approached the subject.

"Is your sister away from home?" he asked, in the middle of a most pathetic passage.

And Mabel answered "No," reddening a little.

"Then I think she might have come to see me before this," he said, with all the fretfulness of an invalid.

"Well, you see, she has all the house-keeping to attend to, now mamma is so much your slave," returned Mabel, smiling; "that keeps her away. She always asks for you, though, and is so glad to hear of your getting on so rapidly."

This sounded rather lame, and Mabel, feeling it to be so, tried once more to resort to her book.

"I suppose it would give her too much trouble to make her inquiries in person," he said, bitterly; "everyone else comes to see me except herself. Surely Lyndon could not object to that?"

"Have you not heard, then?" asked Mabel, hesitatingly. "I fancied you would have known before this. Her engagement with Lord Lyndon is at an end. He has been abroad for the last four weeks."

CHAPTER XIX.

"Mildred's engagement is at an end with Lord Lyndon!" Denzil's pale, haggard face flushed crimson; he put up his uninjured hand and brushed back his hair impetuously, fixing his eyes on Mabel the while. "What caused it?" he asked with suppressed agitation. "It must have been very sudden. Four weeks ago, you say—why, that was just after—" He paused.

"Just after your accident occurred," said Mabel, slowly; and she grew frightened, fearing that Mildred would condemn the remark if she heard of it, and determined to make no more admissions, whatever happened. "You

are talking too much," she went on, hurriedly; "you are looking very pale. Your mother will say it is all my fault when she comes in. Lie back amongst your cushions comfortably, and I will go on with my reading."

"No," interrupted Denzil, putting his hand hastily over the open page. "I am tired of reading." Then, with a short laugh—"I am afraid you think me a savage—do you?—and are wondering whether I have sadly deteriorated during this illness, or whether I am now, for the first time, showing myself in my real character. The fact is, I like talking to you better than listening to the most perfect poetry that could be written. Now you cannot call that uncomplimentary, at all events, can you? I feel as though I had left the world for years, and, having come unexpectedly back to it, am now hearing all the strange things that have happened during my absence—a sort of Rip Van Winkish feeling, I suppose; so I want you to educate me before I make my way down-stairs. Miss Sylvertown was with me yesterday, and told me of Charlie's promotion. She said nothing of her marriage, however; but no doubt that will follow, as a matter of course."

"It is almost arranged to take place next month," observed Mabel.

"Queenie," said Denzil, in a low voice, "tell me this—when did I last see Mildred?"

"It was she that saw you fall and went to your assistance, you know," returned "the queen" evasively.

"I know that," said Denzil—"your mother told me the whole story. But have I never seen her since—in any way?"

"Oh, where could you have seen her?" asked Mabel, jestically, and with considerable confusion, turning to arrange some flowers on the small table near her.

"It was only a dream then," murmured Denzil, disappointedly, and said no more on the subject to his companion's great relief. But the next day he tormented little Stubber to allow him to go down-stairs.

(To be continued.)

DISTANT 30,000,000 MILES.

Eros Is That Far From Us Most of the Time.

Late last December the asteroid Eros, which was discovered about three years ago, came within 30,000,000 miles of the earth. This is not the nearest it gets to us, for at one point in its orbit it is, or would be if the earth was in the corresponding position in its orbit, within about 13,000,000 miles, but unfortunately this only occurs once in about forty-five years. Consequently the astronomers took advantage of the conditions prevailing in December to take innumerable photographs of it and a few stars in its vicinity in connection with the sun from all points possible, with the object of using them as a basis for the computation of the sun's distance from the earth, which, though known approximately, has never been determined with precision. As the earth and the star are now speeding away from each other and further photographing, therefore, of no avail for the purpose, the astronomers have begun the task of measuring the photographs some 5,000 or 6,000 in number, to ascertain the distance in minutes and seconds of an arc between Eros and the neighboring stars. After this is done the intricate mathematical calculations will be entered into. These will occupy many months, or perhaps a year or more, before anything like a definite result can be reached.

Children's Friendships.

From about the fifth or sixth year children are apt to make firm friendships with their small contemporaries. This should be a watchful period for mothers, for these early friendships have a marked influence on the mind, morals and manners of a child. Nearly every character is moulded very largely by early companionship and surroundings. Every mother should take care to be her children's companion as far as possible, for she may be quite sure that if they are left to the care of servants they will at the best only attain the local manners and customs of the nursery or servants' hall, which are not quite those of the cultured classes, says the Evening Star. Children require the companionship of little folks their own age, and a mother should be so much her children's friend that she knows all their associates and is able to nip in the bud any acquaintance which she thinks undesirable. The mother who, to save herself fatigue, lets her children seek companions among their schoolmates and neighbors without troubling herself to find out whether their influence is likely to be good has only herself to blame if the manners and morals of her offspring are corrupted.

Dickens' Love Letters.

Charles Dickens' love letters exist—a boxful of them. So states a writer in a London weekly: "I had the pleasure of knowing Mrs. Dickens and had the privilege of receiving her at my house in my earliest London days. Without ever for a moment hinting at their contents, she would smile in a half-amused and yet pathetic way at the suggestion of a mutual friend that her famous husband's love letters would make a popular volume, after being edited, of course."

King Edward Likes Society.

King Edward much prefers congenial society to solitary state and so has introduced the custom of having a good-sized dinner party every evening at the royal table. The members of his own family, all guests and several members of the suite are always in attendance.

A New Eldorado

On the northeast borders of Upper Burma is a land where the chief articles of commerce are gold dust, amber, rubies and jade-stone. Trade must take on a peculiarly fascinating aspect where the articles dealt in are such as these. A pork-packing establishment in Chicago is much more to be desired from a commercial standpoint than a ruby mine in this Kachinland, as the place is called, but how much more romantic and dazzling the Kachin property sounds when you talk about it. It is a wild land from which the rubies, the jade, the gold and the amber come, and is inhabited by a wild and savage people, who work the precious deposits of the country in a primitive manner. But the British are in there now, and it is only a question of time when the far-off region will be exploited for all it is worth. This jade, or jadeite, is dug out of a mountain in one place and in another it is found at the bottom of a river, and the natives dive for it from rafts. This jade is translucent and varies in colors from a creamy white through different shades to a delicate green. The Chinese use it extensively for vases, rings, bracelets, etc., and make beautifully carved ornaments out of it. One variety of jade they call "kingfishers' plumes," on account of its coloring. The finest jade in the world comes from this almost unknown Kachinland, and bands of Chinese merchants are constantly coming and going, bringing cloth, etc., which they barter for the glittering products of the country. The rubies the Kachins get by digging into the hillsides, and the gold dust by washing it out of the sands of the streams. This land is the home of the "pigeon's blood" rubies, which are found also to some extent further south between Kachinland and Mandalay, "where the flying fishes play." But no rubies are so pure and beautiful in color as those of Kachinland. Since there is so much gold dust in the streams of this wonderful country it is probable that there are stores of

Awaits Exploration at Present in British Kachinland.

gold in the mountains which have waited through the centuries to be dug out. Rubber trees grow in this region and all manner of valuable woods are in the forests. The British have been in nominal control of Kachinland for some years, but never have really occupied the country. Every now and then an expedition has to be dispatched there to restore order and to remind the natives that they are British subjects; but civilization never yet has penetrated through the mountains and the dense forests to this land of rubies, gold dust and jade-stone. Nearly all the trade of the country is carried on with the Chinese; but the government of India now has it in mind to open up the country to trade with Burma and hence with the rest of the world. It is a virgin field for exploitation, and in these days, when no corner of the earth is neglected in the search for riches, Kachinland cannot long escape the general fate of all rich regions. Already Britishers have visited Kachinland to spy out the country and blaze the way for the army of exploiters which will come later. The latest news of this strange country has been brought back by Captain W. S. Eardly Howard, a British officer of Punjabese, who lately returned from a trip to the Kachin Hills. In the Wide World Magazine he gives an account of the curious people who live among the rubies and the jade and tells of their many curious customs. Slavery exists there, and the natives are exceedingly superstitious. "The members of a village," says the captain, "seldom cultivate more cereals than are required for their own consumption, but barter among themselves guns, gongs, slaves, etc., although they are rapidly acquiring an appreciation of our coinage and methods of trade."

Every known language contains such names as cuckoo, pewit, whippoorwill and others, in which the sound emitted by the animal is utilized as the name.

He Expels Devils.

Dr. William D. Gentry, who conducts a mission in Chicago, claims to have and to exercise the power of casting out devils. He began the work, he says three years ago when a woman brought to him an afflicted child. The victim made a hissing noise with its mouth and for a time the doctor was perplexed to know whether the evil spirit in possession of the child was a snake or a goose. He ejected it, however, and since then the doctor has been in the devil-expelling business.

Dr. Gentry is a great believer in the efficacy of prayer and relates one case that was cured by supplication after all medical means had failed. The doctor was then a practitioner himself, but since that time he has given up his medical practice and has labored to heal the sick with the power that he claims has been conferred upon him. He takes no stock in Christian Science and unlike Dowie he has no use for money. His services are free.

The doctor has a peculiar idea about the part the sun plays in our planetary system and it is worth quoting. He says the sun has no heat, that it is as cold as ice. "The sun," he continues, "is a dead planet, and it is only useful to the world for the purpose of giving light. The astronomers will tell you that it is a blazing mass, and

And Incidentally Says That the Sun Is as Cold as Ice.

has been a blazing mass since the creation of the world. The absurdity of such statement is self-evident. How can anything keep on burning and not be consumed? The sun was burned out ages ago. It furnishes us light simply by acting as a reflector for the myriads of worlds in the firmament.

"Whence comes the world's heat, then, you ask, and what causes the change of seasons? Part of the world's heat comes from its interior, which is a blazing and liquid state. The rest of the heat comes from its atmosphere, which is brought into friction with the various stratas through which the revolutions of the world carry it. These stratas vary, and it is owing to their variance that we have the changes in temperature and in seasons.

"In time this mass of fire in the interior of the earth is going to destroy it. There is a constant change going on in the physical aspect of the earth, due to this fire, but the trouble is that observers do not attribute this to the proper cause. The Bible says that the earth shall perish by fire, and this prophecy, to my mind, refers to the internal fires of the world."

A man soon forgets his faults when they are known only to himself.

Morocco Maidens

In Morocco the period of girlhood is short. The marriageable age is 12 years and a father seldom keeps his daughter after she has reached 15. The age of the bridegroom does not matter, and a child of 12 frequently receives a husband of 60. When a girl becomes engaged it is her parents' duty to fatten her, and she is put into training for this.

Every morning she takes the soft part of her wheaten bread and rolls it into long, round pieces about twice the length of her little finger, and of the girth of her thumb. After each full meal she eats three or four of these, gradually increasing the dose. At first she is allowed to wash them down with milk or green tea. Later on liquids are forbidden. Most girls manage in time to put away 50 or 60 of these aids to obesity every day. By the time the wedding day comes around brides have wholly lost their slenderness and after a few years resemble huge sacks of down.

Weddings always take place in the evening and the long procession is an indispensable part of the ceremony. The woman is neatly enveloped in gauze and muslin and packed into a trim little red box, just as if she were an automatic doll or the newest thing in hats, so that she can no more be seen than a diamond wrapped up in wadding and shut in a basket. The box is fastened on the back of a mule or a horse and when these details are satisfactorily settled the procession. All her kith and kin, as well as the relations and friends of her future lord, ride in state or solemnly march on foot to the sounds of weird music, which would madden a European. The

Their Girlhood Is Brief, as They Generally Marry When 12 Years Old

instruments are ear-splitting. And if the families have a proper sense of what they owe themselves they are not satisfied even with this, but invest in gunpowder and keep firing all the way to the bridegroom's house.

Assistant Secretary Sanger a Worker.

One of the hardest workers and most industrious officials of the United States government, according to The Army and Navy Register, is W. Cary Sanger, the assistant secretary of war. He reaches his office about 8 o'clock in the morning and keeps at work with only a short intermission for a noonday luncheon until 6 o'clock and after. He finds time to see everybody, and to talk according to the merit of the case.

Where Cotton-Growing Has Increased.

American cottonseed is responsible for a tremendous increase in the production of cotton in Russia, middle Asia, Bakhara and Khive. The year 1900 shows an increase of 44 per cent over 1899 in the Asiatic lands, and the increase in the Russian district is 28 per cent. Most of the former cornfields are now being planted with cotton.

Too Much for Him.

She—Don't you love to hunt four-leaved clovers?

He—No; I hunted them with another girl once, and we ran upon one in a jeweler's window—green and white enamel—diamond dewdrop in the center—\$25.

Happy is he who lets himself owe no man and lets no man owe him.

UNIQUE UNION PACIFIC EXCURSION

The Delightful Scenery Afforded by a Trolley Ride Across the Rockies.

A unique excursion was recently arranged by the Union Pacific Railroad company. About sixty newspapermen, representing the leading metropolitan journals of the country, were invited to meet at the Brown Palace hotel, Denver, Colo., for a trip on the "Overland Route," for the purpose of viewing the stupendous engineering achievements recently made on that line.

The train was made up of two private cars, three Pullman palace sleepers, a dining car, drawn by one of the new compound engines, with an observation car—constructed on the same plan as a trolley car—ahead of the engine.

No more striking example is afforded of the progress of today than the gigantic undertaking of the Union Pacific.

One hundred and fifty-eight and four-tenths miles of new track laid, reducing the mileage between Omaha and Ogden by 30.47 miles, and reducing gradients which varied from 43.4 to 97.68 feet to the mile to a maximum of 43.3 feet, and curves from 6 to 4 degrees, while a great deal of bad curvature has been eliminated entirely.

A mountain removed and lost into a chasm; huge holes bored hundreds of feet through solid granite; an underground river encountered and overcome; an army of men, with all sorts of mechanical aids, engaged in the work for nearly a year; the great Union Pacific track between Omaha and Ogden made shorter, heavy grades eliminated, old scenery changed for new, and the business of the great Overland route flowing through a new channel, without the slightest interruption.

Millions of money have been spent to reduce the grades and shorten the distance.

This reduction is the result of straightening unnecessary curves, and the construction of several cutoffs between Buford and Bear river, Utah. Buford is on the eastern slope of the Black Hills, 545 miles west of Council Bluffs and twenty-seven miles west of Cheyenne. The cutoffs required the construction of 158 miles, of which 29.63 miles are between Buford and Laramie, 15.34 miles between Howell and Hutton, saving 3.11 miles; 23 miles on the Laramie plains between Cooper's Lake and Lookout, saving 33 of a mile; 25.94 miles between Lookout and Medicine Bow, still further west, saving 12.03 miles; 8.15 miles between Allen Junction and Dana, saving 3.87 miles; 42.83 miles between Rawlins and Tipton, saving 1.44 miles; 10.64 miles between Green River and Bryan, saving .45 of a mile, and 21.56 miles between Leroy and Bear River, saving 9.56 miles.

The curvature saved is about one-half, the grading about the same, while the angles are reduced nearly two-thirds.

The superiority of these changes is apparent to the practical railroad engineer. It is also apparent to the operating department in the reduction in operating expenses, and to the traveler in the increased speed the trains can make. The change in alignment of the line is marked. West of Buford the track ran northwesterly to the Ames monument, near Sherman, and then took a sharp turn to the southwest over Dale creek, crossing it by a bridge 135 feet high—an elevation trying to the nerves—and from there due north to Laramie. The new line runs due west from Buford, avoiding the high hills and eighty-eight-foot grade from Cheyenne, and piercing through cuts and the big tunnel, crosses the Black Hills at a grade of less than one-half (43.3 feet) over mountain altitudes. From Leroy the country is literally a coal bed. Here the new line makes another reduction and enters the Bear river valley on an easy grade.

From a constructive standpoint the line is remarkable for the amount of material required in the construction of immense embankments and the building of large tunnels through solid rock. The construction through the new line between Buford and Laramie alone has involved the excavation of 500,000 cubic yards of material, one-third of which (exclusive of the tunnel excavation) has been solid rock, or something over 160,000 cubic yards per mile.

Some of the embankments of the new road have been remarkable for their height and the large quantities of material to construct the same over seemingly short distances. The two most difficult embankments were at Dale creek, southwest of Sherman, and across the Sherman branch of the Lone Tree creek, southeast of Sherman. The embankment at the crossing of Dale creek is 120 feet high, 900 feet long, and involved the handling of 500,000 cubic yards. At the crossing of the Sherman branch of Lone Tree creek the embankment is 125 feet high at its point of greatest height and involved the handling of over 250,000 cubic yards.

Too much credit for this work cannot be given to Horace G. Burt, president of the Union Pacific railroad, for boldness of conception of these improvements; for ability to convince the company of the wisdom of the outlay, and following the necessary appropriation by the company, for the execution of the work in a phenomenally short time. Deputizing his lieutenants, Mr. E. Dickinson, general manager, and Mr. J. B. Berry, chief engineer, to commence and complete the work, under their direction the contractors assembled a large army of laborers and gathered a vast array of modern machinery, much of which was used for the first time in railroad building. Thus, without stopping for a day the ceaseless flow of an enormous traffic, the Union Pacific officials in less than two years completed a great work which ordinarily would have required five years.

The excursion was replete with many interesting incidents, and the splendid hospitality of the Union Pacific officials was a revelation. The newspaper men evinced their appreciation in many ways, particularly in a resolution of thanks to the Union Pacific officials, Messrs. Lomax, Darlow, Park and Griffin, while the train was stopping near the Devil's Slide in picturesque Weber canyon.

Love letters may not be legal documents, but they chronicle court proceedings.

NOTES ON SCIENCE

CURRENT NOTES OF DISCOVERY AND INVENTION.

The World's Best Timber for Use in Ships.—Nature's Clay Images—Rubber and Gutta-Percha—Cold Winters, Hot Summers.

THE WORLD'S BEST SHIP TIMBER.

Some of the most useful products of our planet are confined to small areas of its surface, situated at a great distance from the main centers of population and industry. India-rubber is one of these, and according to a report from Consul-General King at Bangkok, teak, the most valuable ship timber in existence, is another. Extensive teak forests, he says, are restricted to Burma, Siam and Cochinchina. There are only three ports in the world from which teak is exported: Rangoon, Moulmein and Bangkok. It is a beautiful dark-colored wood, taking a high finish, and its value in shipbuilding depends upon its strength, its durability, its resistance to both moisture and drouth, its non-liability to be attacked by boring insects, its lightness in the water, and its resistance to the influence of iron when brought in close contact. In this last point of excellence it has no substitute as a backing for armor-plate.

RUBBER AND GUTTA-PERCHA.

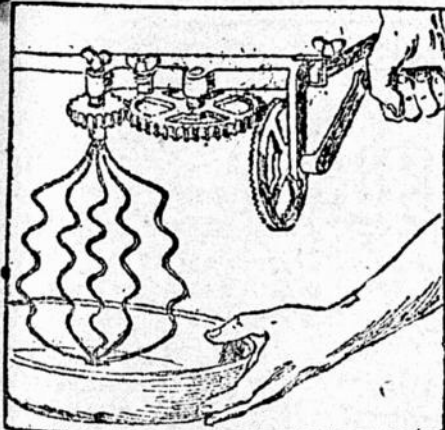
Mr. Berkhout, formerly forester in the Dutch East Indies, recently gave some facts not generally known concerning these two products, which are often confused. The quality of elasticity distinguishes india-rubber from gutta-percha. The latter is derived from one plant only, while india-rubber is produced from more than 60 plants. Three-fourths of the gutta-percha of commerce comes from Sumatra and Borneo. Of the total annual production of india-rubber, estimated at about 99,000,000 pounds, nearly two-thirds comes from the Amazon Valley, about one-third from Central Africa, and one-twentieth from Asia. The total production of gutta-percha is about one-twentieth as great as that of india-rubber. The gutta-percha tree is cultivated with difficulty, and the natives of the countries where it grows cut it down to get its valuable sap.

THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES.

Prof. Hugo de Vries, the well-known Dutch botanist and biologist, is credited with a "momentous discovery" concerning the origin of species among plants. Briefly stated, his observations indicate that new species appear suddenly by mutation, never as the outcome of a progressive variation. He avers that he has been able, for the first time, to watch the formation and development of new species. A reviewer of his work in the English scientific journal, Nature, says: "The facts are so striking and convincing that an outsider, like the reviewer, cannot but feel that new period in the theories of the origin of species and of evolution has been inaugurated."

HANDY KITCHEN UTENSIL.

Kate Hatch McRae, of Colorado, has designed a machine for beating cake rapidly and thoroughly with little exertion, the picture showing the apparatus in operation. The beater proper may be of any desired form, to suit the numerous uses for which the beater may be used. When it is desired to make use of the apparatus the hanger is rigidly secured to the edge of the table by the clamps, and the cake dish is held underneath the downward-projecting beater with the hand, while the crank is grasped by the other hand to revolve the beater until the operation is completed. The beating frame is easily removed for cleaning or for inserting another style for performing different work.



ROTARY CAKE AND EGG BEATER.

And, of course, the machine is not limited to beating cake, but will whip cream, make frosting and do all the labor in that line by simply inserting the beater of the proper shape.

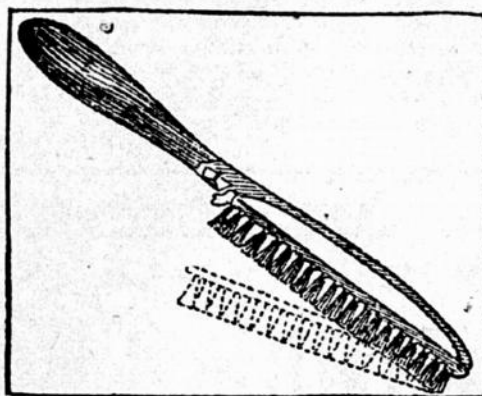
STENCILING FOR EFFECTS.

Some of the best decorative effects to be found in the handsomest of modern houses are obtained by stenciling. This is used for all purposes, for hangings, for wall coverings and ceilings, and for the furniture itself. Armure is one of the materials which is frequently stenciled for wall coverings. Buckram is also used with excellent effect as a ground for the work, and Japanese grass cloth is exceedingly beautiful. Leather and many other materials take the stenciling and give good results. Velours are specially treated to receive the stenciling and are used for hangings and screen covers. Other soft materials, when treated with conventional designs, are just the thing for dens, smoking and billiard rooms. Occasionally the material will be given a special color tone before the design is applied, and the whole when finished is as soft as if the stenciling had been

woven into the material. Designs, when applied to rooms, are arranged to suit the wall space and blend with the color tones, sometimes in panels, sometimes in a frieze. Occasionally flowers may be used, more or less conventionalized, and some charming work has been done in preparing marine designs for decorations on yachts. These latter are used also for rooms in houses by the sea. Not only are hangings and wall coverings treated in this way, but sets of furniture carry out the decorations on the walls. White mahogany is one of the most beautiful of the woods used for this purpose.—Chicago Journal.

SANITARY HAIR-BRUSH.

The ordinary hair brush is so difficult to clean that it is often neglected until it becomes a sort of paradise for disease germs, and finally reaches the stage where it must be cleaned or thrown away. In the illustration is shown a brush recently designed by Robert J. Montgomery, of Illinois, which should recommend itself on sight for cleanliness and ease with which the parts may be separated for washing. The bristles are attached to a skeleton or open-work frame, which is hinged at the outer end of the back, the handle being provided with a spring catch to hold the frame while in use. The interior of the back is concave in shape, better to receive the siftings which fall through the frame from the bristles. In the ordinary brush the dirt always accumulates at



EASY TO REMOVE THE DIRT AND HAIRS.

the base of the bristles, but in the new brush there is no place of lodgment there, and so it falls through to the hollow back where it may be instantly removed by the applications of a stream of water or by striking the back against the hand. As the air circulates freely around the base of the bristles the brush will dry rapidly when wet, and the moisture will not rot the bristles, making the brush very durable.

NATURE'S CLAY IMAGES.

In the clay-beds of the valley of the Connecticut are found wonderful and beautiful concretions, specimens of which, sent to England, excited the interest of the Royal Society as long ago as 1670. Mr. J. M. Arms Sheldon, who has written a book about them, says that the concretions appear in four principal types: disk-shaped, cylindrical, botryoidal (resembling grape-clusters), and imitations of animal forms. The latter are the most striking, the forms imitated including fishes, birds, ant-eaters, elephants, dogs, babies' feet, and so forth. A remarkable fact is that each clay-bed has a form of concretion peculiar to itself and the principal types are never found intermingled in the same bed. The beds are composed of stratified, river-drift clays, or "Champlain" clays.

MICROBE LAMPS.

Prof. Raphael Dubois, of the University of Lyons, has produced some of the most curious lamps ever imagined, by cultivating luminous marine microbes in a liquid medium contained in little glass vessels. If a few of these living lamps are arranged about a bust in a dark room, the bust is made plainly visible, and photographs can be taken of it. The actinic power of the light is, nevertheless, so feeble that several hours' exposure is needed. With another form of lamp, filled with phosphorescent bacteria, enough light is obtained to render a printed page easily legible.

COLD WINTERS—HOT SUMMERS.

Dr. O. L. Fassig in the Monthly Weather Review shows, as the result of an investigation of records extending from 1817 to the present time, that neither exceptionally warm nor exceptionally cold summers have any more relation to the succeeding winter temperatures than normal summers have, and that, broadly speaking, there is no regular alternation, or period, in atmospheric temperatures. The investigation was undertaken with a view of testing the soundness of such popular beliefs as that an extremely hot summer precedes a cold winter.

The Air From the Lungs.

Much has been said about a poisonous alkaloid in air from the lungs. After a careful investigation, Herr E. Formanek finds that no poisonous substance exists in the breath of a healthy man or animal, but that the expired air may contain traces of ammonia in cases of dental caries or pulmonary complaints. It is this ammonia—not a special alkaloid of terrifying virulence—that has been collected from expired air.

"Black Death" Still Defiant.

The bubonic plague is said to be the most stubborn of epidemics, not yielding to the most energetic treatment. While the dread of smallpox, cholera and yellow fever has been much lessened of late years because of the progress of medical science, no great hold has yet been obtained on the "black death."

STORIES.

According to the London Vanity Fair, a celebrated surgeon met a young officer in Piccadilly the other day and greeted him with surprise: "Well, I am pleased to see you! I am surprised! Do you know I have a portion of your brain in a jar at home?" "Ah, well," laughed the other, "I can easily spare that; I have got a berth in the war office!"

Replying to his opponent's remark that "the Boers are unwashed and semi-barbarous," Professor Joseph Johnson, in a recent public debate in Philadelphia regarding the South African war, retorted, solemnly: "It is true that the Boers are not cleanly of person, but the English have driven them first from Cape Colony, and then from Natal, to the desolate uplands beyond the Vaal where there is no water; and how, therefore, can you expect them to wash?"

Some days ago a swarm of bees entered a roadside letter-box near Mullingar, in Ireland. A number of letters were in the box, and the postmaster-general offered a reward of two shillings (fifty cents) to any person dislodging the bees. This tempting offer resulted in the sending of a stinging letter from the owner of the swarm, who threatened, if the bees were injured, to take legal proceedings against Lord Londonderry, as his offer to remove the intruders was rendered fruitless by the refusal of the postoffice authorities to allow the door of the letter-box to be opened.

It is said that not long ago Rear-Admiral Robley Evans entered a fashionable house of worship in New York and took a seat far forward. He was well but not very expensively dressed. Soon after the admiral had seated himself, a man and his wife entered. He looked uneasy, and pulling out his card wrote on it: "Do you know I pay fifteen hundred dollars a year for this pew?" Not to be outdone in courtesy, Admiral Evans took one of his own cards, and above his name, which necessarily gave his naval rank, wrote in reply: "Well, you pay too,—d much."

It is said that Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough, one day remarked to her grandson, Jack Spencer: "Jack,

you must marry, and I will give you a list of the ladies you may propose to." "Very well, grannie," he said, and he proposed to the first on the list. When he came back with his wife from their wedding tour, they went to pay their respects to the old lady. "Well, now," she said, "I am the root and you are only the branches, and therefore you must always pay me a great deal of deference." "That is all very well," said Jack, impatiently, "but I think the branches would flourish a great deal better if the root was under ground."

Some of the naval cadets who are aboard the Alabama, and are having their first real cruise off the Atlantic coast, recently got a lesson in promptness that they will not soon forget. They went ashore with the captain, and were told that the boat would return at a certain time. Five minutes before that time they appeared at the head of the long pier, sauntering slowly toward where the captain stood waiting for them. Exactly on the dot of the appointed time he gave the order to shove off, and the boat started, leaving five astonished cadets on the pier not forty feet away. When they had got a pull boat and rowed out to the ship, three miles or more, they were told by the captain that it was not polite to keep their superior officers waiting, or to approach him as if they were "going to a funeral."

A Son's Devotion.

Wallace, Mich., August 26th:—A striking example of a man's dutiful and attentive care of his mother is seen in Mr. Oscar Swanson of this place.

Mr. Swanson's mother has suffered much with Kidney and Urinary Trouble and Female Weakness. Her son has sought out and procured for her everything that he thought could possibly benefit her.

She did not improve, till at last he bought her a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills. In a few days she was completely cured, and her faithful son has the reward for his loving efforts, in the knowledge that she is now strong and well.

Desiring the unattainable is not nearly so distressing as attaining the undesirable.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. Samuel, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Abyssinia was converted to Christianity in the fourth century.

Clothes Get Sick

And cannot be ironed into shape again without the introduction of a starch with medicinal properties. Defiance starch contains the solution that brings all washable goods back to health or newness. It makes any washable article of apparel look like new. Any grocer will sell you a 16-oz. package for 10 cents. Use it once and you will never buy any other. Made by Magnetic Starch Co., Omaha, Neb.

To get a few flowers one must sow plenty of seed.

THISTLES AND DANDRUFF.

An Interesting Parallel and a Valuable Deduction Therefrom.

Cutting down thistles no more relieves the land of thistles than does scouring the scalp cure dandruff. In each case permanent relief can only come from eradicating permanently the cause. A germ that plows up the scalp in searching for the hair root where it saps the vitality, causes dandruff, falling hair and baldness. If you kill that germ you'll have no dandruff but a luxuriant suit of hair. Newbro's Herpicide is the only hair preparation in the world that cures dandruff, falling hair and baldness by killing the germ. "Destroy the cause, you remove the effect."

The man who lives to no purpose lives to a bad purpose.

RUSS BLEACHING BLUE should be in every home. Ask your grocer for it and take no substitute. 10c a package.

Palms never live more than 250 years.

Are You Using Allen's Foot-Ease?

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

As a man advances in years he realizes the limits of his ability.

W. N. U., Des Moines, No. 35—1901.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures swollen, hot, sweating, aching feet, ingrowing nails, corns and bunions. All druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

When the fight begins within himself a man's worth something.

WHEN YOU BUY BLEUING insist on getting Russ Bleaching Blue. Don't take a cheap imitation. All grocers, 10c.

Perfumes were introduced into Spain by the Arabs.

Ask your grocer for DEFIANCE STARCH, the only 16 oz. package for 10 cents. All other 10-cent starch contains only 12 oz. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.

Cheerfulness is the offspring of employment.

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BURLINGTON SAYINGS.

Miss Lewis left for her home La Grange, Mo., Friday night after a short visit with friends and relatives.

The excursion given on the St. Paul and Northern Pacific Thursday night proved to be one of the grandest events of the season.

Quite a number of people from this city attended the barbeque in Fort Madison Monday.

Mrs. Mary Gillum is in the St. Francis Hospital suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church, the meetings were not very well attended. Mesdames Jennie Robinson and Clara Price united with the church.

Rev. Lucas of Grinnell preached for us Sunday morning and Rev. Ford at the evening services.

Mrs. E. W. Roper arrived in the city last week to visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Thomas.

Mrs. Frank Morgan arrived home last week after a three months visit in Toledo, with her sister Mrs. T. A. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowry of Indiana are visiting the former's parents on South 9th street.

On Thursday evening Mesdames W. H. Lavelle and Geo. H. Wade gave their Annual turkey party. The car was beautifully decorated, about fifty persons were present. Elegant refreshments were served on car while at Marion every one reports a lovely time.

Mrs. Clara Boone leaves this week for a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. Horn of Ottumwa.

Mrs. John Forrester is visiting in Des Moines.

Mrs. Anthony of Boone was a visitor in our city last week.

CLARINDA ITEMS.

Quite a number of strangers are seen in our city.

There has been quite a small pox scare here but there is nothing to it.

Sunday is communion day at the Second Baptist church.

Those on the sick list are improving rapidly.

Mrs. Carter returned home last week, after a few weeks visit with friends in Glenwood.

Chautauqua will close here this week.

The colored home talent will play at the Opera house Saturday evening.

The wedding bells are ringing.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Mrs. Horace Massey went to Indianapolis, Indiana to her husband Thursday where she will remain indefinitely.

Mrs. Jennie Hamilton passed away Sunday morning at 1:30. Mrs. Hamilton was one of the most respected colored ladies and a hard worker for the church. Many friends followed the remains to its last resting place. The children are cared for by their grandfather.

Samuel Ellis of Fairfield was married to Miss Mattie Anthony last week and came to Ottumwa for a nicetime we wish the young couple success.

Married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Williams, Miss Carrie Spicer and Mr. Wm. Smith of Fairfield. Many friends were present and a number of very nice presents were given. The two departed on their future home in Fairfield.

There are many strangers in the city.

Several of our young men went to Des Moines last week to attend the fair.

The Ottumwa Blues went to Kirksville, Mo., to play ball and played a good game.

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 office of the 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.

Godmother on Wholesale Scale.

Ex-Empress Eugenie of France is not only godmother to the children of an immense number of personal friends, but also to 3,284 of her husband's subjects who were born on March 16, 1856, the day that her son, the ill-fated prince imperial, first saw the light.

COLD INDEED.

Some of the Old 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 relief.

Counting Years in Japan.

Mr. B. Mayehatake, a young Japanese who has been studying in Chicago, gives an explanation of the method by which time is reckoned in the chrysanthemum land. The Japanese year begins on our January 1, but instead of counting from the birth of Christ a reckoning is made from the reign of Japan's first emperor, Zimu. Our 1901 is the year 2561 in Japan. When a ruler mounts the throne a distinctive name is given to his reign and a sort of petty calendar is kept of the years of his government, just as we keep track of the age of our republic, writing in legal documents: "Year of our Lord 1901, and of the independence of the United States the 125th." The name for the present mikado's rule, which began thirty-three years ago, is Meiji. This word is pronounced Mayzee, and means "peaceful government." Therefore, the current year in Japan is Meiji 34 as well as Zimu 2561.

Jelly for Meat Course.

A jelly will often add much to a meat course, and may sometimes be used in place of a third vegetable. With mutton or venison use currant jelly; cranberry with turkey or chicken. Wild duck is improved by serving sour grape jelly with it. Pork and goose, serve apple sauce, and with boiled chicken, grape jelly.

Fastest on Home Stretch.

A statistician has discovered that the average business walk in New York is a mile in twenty minutes, and the church-going walk is a mile in twenty-five minutes. The fastest walk is that of the homeward-bound Brooklynites, a mile in eighteen minutes.

Hears Woman on Suffrage.

The Connecticut house of representatives took a recess recently in order to give Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker an opportunity to address the members on woman suffrage. She was given a respectful hearing and was heartily applauded, but the measure was defeated as usual.

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 of first grade drawing obtained "excellent" prizes in free-hand and model, as also in the three stages of the specific subjects, literature, domestic economy and animal physiology, and in one stage in physical geography. She has also obtained 26 other prizes for good attendance, sculpture, knitting, etc.

Voices Counted by Tickets.

Under the Pennsylvania election law votes are not counted for the candidate, but for the ticket or tickets on which his name appears. In the Chester county election all parties agreed upon Joseph Hemphill for common pleas judge, and this is the way the official vote was declared: Joseph Hemphill, republican, 8,162 votes; Joseph Hemphill, democrat, 4,371 votes; Joseph Hemphill, fusion, 1,643 votes; Joseph Hemphill, scattering, 374 votes.

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.

An Australian Account of the Marches of the Quakers in Cuba.

One of the curiosities of Cuba is a Quaker meeting-house which has been erected at Gibara, near Santiago. The congregation of Friends is said to number over two hundred.

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St. Paul A. M. E.—Corner of Second and Center Streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday School at 3 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. L. L. L. Phillips, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school 2:30 p. m.; Mr. M. E. Houston, Superintendent. Young People's meeting 7 p. m., preaching 8:00 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 12:30. Prayer and Class meeting, Wednesday 8 p. m. All are welcome. Rev. C. W. Holmes, pastor, 220 Des Moines street.

Mount Nebo Baptist Church—E. Second street, between Locust and Grand avenue—Sunday service, preaching at 11 a. m.; Sunday School 12:30 p. m. Superintendent, Rose Johnson. Preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. H. Bell, pastor.

Tabernacle Baptist Church—Mission—situated over 600 East Locust street. Preaching 11 a. m.; Sunday School 9:00 a. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. J. R. Wintush, pastor.

SECRET ORDERS.

North Star Lodge, No. 3, A. F. A. M.—Meets First Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall—Fourth and Court avenue. J. H. Shepard, W. M.; J. L. Thompson, secretary.

King Solomon Commandery, No. 6—Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays in each month at Masonic Hall. Fred Jackson, M. C.; G. H. Cleghett, Rec.

Naomi Court, No. 2—Meets Second Monday in each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. J. H. Shepard, matron; Mrs. Fred Jackson, secretary.

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

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

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LITERARY NOTES.

E. Nesbit's new story, which will be published in the autumn, will have the queer title, "The Wouldbegoods."

S. R. Crockett's new book, "Love Idylls," will be published soon. It will be uniform in size with "An Englishwoman's Love Letters."

Maurice Thompson's "Alice of Old Vincennes" is to be published in Great Britain, as is also "The Story of Eva," the Chicago novel by Will Payne.

Few persons are aware, even in England, that a privately printed collection of unpublished writings from the pen of Robert Louis Stevenson is about to be issued.

In Dr. Minot J. Savage's new book, "The Passing and the Permanent in Religion," the author tries to make clear the great positive elements of religion which cannot pass away.

Henry James was recently told that Sarah Grand, the novelist, says she was 14 years old before she ever learned to read or write. "She hasn't learned to write even yet," he remarked.

Edmund Gosse is about to become a publisher. His first venture will be a collection of the poems of his friend Austin Dobson which have been written since July, 1899, when the last edition of his collected poems was published. The new book will contain about thirty pieces, among them being poems on the war and on the late queen. Mr. Gosse intends to charge \$3.20 for each copy.

A new book on "Modern Strategy," which is said to be a work of importance, will be published soon. It is the work of Capt. Walter H. James of the British army. It is a treatise on the strategy of today and deals with the effect which railroads and telegraphs and the increase of newspapers have had on war. The campaigns chosen to illustrate it are chiefly taken from the Napoleonic wars and those of recent times. At the end of the book a chapter has been added on the effect of modern weapons upon tactics.

IN A NUTSHELL.

In size, not counting colonies, the European powers stand in this order: Russia, Austria, Germany, France, United Kingdom, Italy.

Immigration from Europe.

More immigrants are said to be arriving from Europe this year than ever before. Most of them come from southern Europe and Scandinavia. Italy furnishes the largest quota this season. Most of them are coming west to work on railroad extensions of the Burlington, Union Pacific and Great Northern. Italians, it is said, are the best track workers that can be obtained, and they are replacing the Chinese heretofore employed by the railroads on the Pacific coast.

Latest Fad of Critics.

The latest fad of critics, the New York Press says, is to rebel against the names of months. They point out that it is absurd for Europeans and Americans of today to dedicate one-sixth of the year to the memory of Julius Caesar and Augustus, to name a third after heathen gods and goddesses, to have two months of doubtful nomenclature, and to designate the remaining four by misleading numericals, September being obviously ninth and not seventh in order.

"Papering Up" Silk Goods.

Silk goods should not be folded in white paper, as the chloride of lime used in bleaching the paper will impair the color of the silk. Brown or blue paper is better; yellow India paper is better still. Silk intended for dress should not be kept in the house long, as lying in folds causes it to crack or split. White satin dresses should be pinned up in blue paper, with coarse brown paper on the outside, sewed together at the edges.

Lord Chancellor of England.

Lord Halsbury, the Lord Chancellor of England, is the son of Dr. Stanley Lees Giffard, who was editor of the London Standard for twenty-seven years. His grandfather, a noted Dublin politician of the union period, John Giffard, had for more than a generation the sole editorial control of the Dublin Journal, which had been started and for fifty years edited by George Faulkner, the friend of Swift and Chesterfield.

Orange Free State Flag.

The Orange Free State flag is a simple rectangle of vivid orange. An orange tree in full fruit is the most distinctive feature of the arms of the Orange Free State. Beneath the tree are on one side a lion and on the other a number of oxen. An ox-wagon similar to that on the Transvaal arms and three suspended horns complete the whole. "Spes Bona"—good hope—is written underneath the arms of Cape Colony, the chief feature of which is a lion rampant. A figure of Hope surmounts the shield, the "supporters of which are a couple of native animals."



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HOCKING ITEMS.

Rev. C. H. Green our pastor was invited by Rev. Searcy of Albia to assist him in his rally, we hope the good people of Albia success.

Mrs. Virgie Burns president of the H. and P. Mission will go to Evans as a delegate to represent their circle.

Miss Icy Brint and Robt. Stone were recently married last week, much success to them.

Rev. D. J. Tata of Evans was in the town and was the guest of Mrs. Burns. Mrs. Addie Harvey is on the sick list.

Rev. C. H. Green will return home soon from St. Louis where she has been visiting friends and relatives.

The wedding bells will ring again soon.

Rev. C. H. Green has been called as pastor of this church. He has not yet decided where he will go; he has two offers in Missouri but he says he likes Iowa the best.

Mrs. Cora Franklin was in the city.

NEWS FROM BUXTON.

The Buxton A. M. E. choir attended the trustees rally at Albia Sunday. The choir under the direction of John T. Washington rendered some fine music.

The rally was in every respect a success.

Rev. Green of Hilton spoke at the morning service and Rev. Williamson of Buxton delivered a powerful sermon in the afternoon.

Albia treated her visitors royally. On our arrival Rev. Searcy met us and escorted our ladies to friends homes and our gentlemen to the cosy comfortable offices of lawyers Woodson and Brown.

Mr. Brown left nothing undone that would add to our comfort, every body prepared dinners for us and some of the good people who were so kind to us were Mr. Henry Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Grayson, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and daughter Miss Cora, Mr. and Mrs. Butler and Rev. Searcy and wife who looked well to our interest and many others.

The choir is improving nicely and ere long it will be one of the best in the state.

MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

J. W. Walker leaves on the 27th for Louisville, Ky. on business.

Grand Master I. L. Brown was in Cedar Rapids the 24th on business.

Mr. Fred Wright of Davenport is visiting his parents for a few days intending to assist in the barber shop.

There was a colored gentleman Harris by name, claiming Kansas City as his home fell from a C. N. W. train Saturday evening having both legs frightfully broken, one leg having to be amputated. He was resting easily at last reports.

We as a race ought to learn to educate ourselves to a higher degree than running to our neighbor's houses degrading ourselves by back biting and lowering ourselves by handling the truth so careless. Find your own faults first and see whether you are right before hunting other people's faults.

Mrs. B. J. Wright closed a series of successful meetings at Oskaloosa Sunday, August the 25th, returning home the 26th.

The Misses Jessie Walker, Lottie Warn Delia Howard and Mrs. Howard and Mr. Reed Ward and son went to Clear lake last Thursday the 22nd visiting Mason City where they were entertained at a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

Those who were elected to represent the Second Baptist church and B. Y. P. U. at the association to be held at Evans September 2, were: Rev. Wilkerson, Mrs. Fred Watrus, Mrs. Gilmon and the Misses Clara Wilkerson and Lula Gilmore.

Rev. Moiock has been holding tent meetings on West Main street for the last ten days with the best of results.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Jas. W. Cooper visited with his parents Sunday filling his old position in the A. M. E. choir, he returned to his duties in Morrison Sunday night.

In a letter to the correspondent recently Prof. T. W. Stepp the artist who is in Moberly, Mo., writes that he is now sole owner and manager of his portrait and frame company and that he is meeting with flattering success in his work.

Mrs. Frank Cooper and daughter Annie leave Thursday for Chicago for a visit with relatives.

Do you take the Bystander? If not, Why not?

Mrs. D. O. Greene and son Rogers who have been visiting the family of A. A. Bush for several weeks returned to their home in Chicago Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Wyatt Smith returned to her home in Ottumwa Monday after several days visit the guest of Mrs. Wm. Dobson on Elm street.

Sullivan's Instruments Sold Well.

Sixteen of the violins and violoncellos owned by the late Sir Arthur Sullivan were recently sold for \$1,800. The greatest prize realized for any one of the instruments was \$850, which was paid for a violoncello by Joseph Guarnerius.

German Schools Abroad.

The German government supports 125 schools in foreign countries. There are German schools now in Constantinople, Buenos Ayres, Antwerp, Brussels, Bucharest, Pretoria and Johannesburg. In Brazil there are twenty-nine schools, in Chile twelve, in Roumania twelve, and in British dominions twelve.

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DES MOINES, IOWA.

He Collects Antique Statuary.

Stanford White is one of the largest collectors of antique statuary in America. Not only is his house in Gramercy park, New York, a veritable museum of Greek and Roman art, but the lawn is now filled to overflowing with other examples.

Odd Names in Virginia.

One county of West Virginia has among its political subdivisions the Slab Fork, the Marsh Fork, the Shady Spring, the Clear Fork and the Trap Hill districts. Another has the Pipe Stem and the Jumping Branch districts.

Queer Japanese Custom.

At the birth of a Japanese baby a tree is planted that must remain untouched until the marriage of the child. When the nuptial hour arrives the tree is cut down and the wood is transformed into furniture.

Educator Goes West.

Dr. Max Farrand, who has resigned the professorship of history at Wesleyan university to accept a similar post in Leland Stanford, Jr., university, was prepared for college at the Newark (N. J.) academy, and was graduated from Princeton university with high honors in 1892. He took a two-years' post-graduate course at Princeton, and then went to Germany, where he studied for two years more.

Incident in Bottelle's Life.

Nathaniel M'Kay, formerly a Boston shipbuilder, but now a hotel-keeper in Washington, says that the late Congressman Bottelle of Maine was deeply in love with Mrs. Hazen before she became Admiral Dewey's wife, and that her refusal to marry him had much to do in bringing on the mental collapse from which he suffered at the time of his death.

Mascagni Wears Bracelets.

Mascagni is one of the men who wears bracelets, and they are not confined to his arms, but ornament his ankles as well. The creator of "Cavalleria Rusticana" is said to be passionately fond of jewelry and numbers many splendid and valuable rings given to him as well as bought by his own money, among his personal effects.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

News is some what scarce in Sioux City.

Allen Williams who has been quite sick is up and around.

C. B. Watkins and Miss Mattie Baker were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents on the 15th.

The Ladies of Mt. Zion Baptist church gave a chicken fry at their church Saturday evening.

Don't forget the live pigeon pie entertainment on the 29th at the Y. M. C. A. for the benefit of Mt. Zion Baptist church extensive arrangements are being made by way of a programme. Mr. and Mrs. Pettit are going to give one of their grand exhibition.

The Emancipation Celebration and barbecue was given on the 22nd at Riverside park by the members of the A. M. E. church—was quite a success a large crowd white and colored attended. Mayor Burton delivered the welcome address, several others spoke. Rev. Jason Bundy was present, they netted quite a snug little sum.

Messrs E. Kess and Jas. Washington went to St. Paul on the excursion Saturday morning returning Monday evening. Rev. T. A. Clark is counting his Sundays and we are wondering who will be the next preacher. Rev. Clark is about to close a very creditable two years work in this city.

Mr. Thos. Surges has just recovered from a spell of sickness and has resumed his work as carrier.

Prof. Will Wear St. Paul's finest colored pianist is among the colored jubilee singers who are filling a two weeks engagement at Riverside, they are all fine singers.

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DANISH PROVERBS.

Even crumbs are bread.
Opportunity makes the thief.
Faint praise is akin to abuse.
Short flax makes long thread.
Power often goes before talent.
Death does not blow a trumpet.
Gray hairs are death's blossoms.
Praise a fair day in the evening.
Alone in counsel, alone in sorrow.
A short cut is often a wrong cut.
New comers are always welcome.
Every bird needs its own feathers.
Let every bird sing its own note.
Trust everybody, but thyself most.
We must suffer much, or die young.
Every man thinks his copper is gold.
Every wind is against a leaky ship.
Unwilling service earns no thanks.
A woman's first counsel is the best.
He that courts injury will obtain it.
He who flees proves himself guilty.
Do not wade when you see no bottom.

It is bad to lean against a falling wall.

Better the child cry than the mother sigh.

We must sow even after a bad harvest.

An ill-tempered dog has a scarred nose.

Never let fools see half finished work.

Even he gets on who is drawn by oxen.

Big words seldom go with good deeds.

It is folly to fear what one cannot avoid.

He is easy to lure who is ready to follow.

Little sorrows are loud, great ones silent.

Riches are often abused, but never refused.

Every fool thinks he is clever enough.

Under white ashes lie often glowing embers.

A thankless man never does a thankful deed.

It is the raised stick that makes the dog obey.

It is hard to pay for bread that has been eaten.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Love and philosophy are sworn enemies.

Old age commands respect—except in country and jokes.

Some men are in advance of their age, but women are always a few years behind it.

The failure of a bank may not upset the depositor, but he is apt to lose his balance.

You have to give some men a sound thrashing before you can command their respect.

No matter how erect a general may be he is apt to learn more or less on his staff.

The girl who used mucklage to keep her hair in curl has much more stuck up ever since.

Perhaps some people talk to themselves because they find it impossible to interest any one else.

In order to retain her youth and popularity all a girl has to do is acquire a fortune and remain single.

The average man does just as many queer things when he isn't in love as when he is, but they are less conspicuous.

What a merry old place the earth would be if it were to lose its atmosphere. All bodies would then lose their gravity.

Says a rural editor: "We trust our subscribers will pardon us for appearing a day late this week. Our wife borrowed our scissors to cut our son's hair."

A MILE A MINUTE.

High Speed by a Trolley Car in Philadelphia.

In whatever other respects Philadelphia may be slow she has a trolley car which sweeps through the city in the gray hours of dawn and which, taken day by day, is swifter than anything else of its kind or class in the world, says the New York Sun. It starts from the heart of the city just after the newspapers are out of press and tears away through the silent streets in a northerly and westerly direction, up and down hill and along valleys, with occasional stops to throw out bundles until twenty-seven minutes later it rests on the northern summit of Chestnut hill, fourteen and three-quarter miles away. This is at the average rate of thirty-five miles an hour, including at least one stop every three-fourths of a mile. Sometimes on its route it has run a mile in a minute and an eighth and it has made the distance in twenty-five minutes, including the stops, which is just the scheduled time of the steam express trains for practically the same distance between the same places, though on neither the Reading nor the Pennsylvania railroads do the trains make any stops. Sometimes, as on market day, there are interruptions, when sleepy teams get on the lines of metals, and occasionally another trolley car gets behind time and doesn't give it the right of way promptly, but despite the occasional delays, for two years, in all conditions of weather, facing rain or snow, with mechanical incidents adverse to its career, it has made on an average thirty-five trips out of thirty-five on time and only once has it been longer than forty-five minutes in covering the distance. On that occasion the wreck of a hay wagon was on the road and for this the Eagle Flight trolley was not responsible. From the fact that this car carries the morning newspapers for distribution it might be thought to be a journalistic enterprise in Philadelphia, but this is not the case. It is an experiment by the Union Traction company to test the maintenance of high speed and the evenness of schedule time under conditions peculiarly favorable for securing exact factors for all the problems it is sought to solve. Every trip is observed by electrical experts, the induction is estimated, the power measured, the state of the metal, the thermometer and barometrical conditions noted as well as the humidity and fog at the different elevations along the line, and when 1,000 trips have been made the data thus gathered will be considered, with a view of formulating a result to be applied in such directions of economy and accelerated speeds as may be opened up.

Connecticut Man Declares His Assessment Is Much Too Low.

Robert M. Bruce, one of the millionaires of Greenwich, Conn., a former cotton broker and a friend of E. C. Benedict, has caused surprise by appearing before the board of assessors of the town and asking them to have his assessment raised 50 per cent, says the New York Sun. He said that he had never paid any attention to the making out of his list of taxable property, leaving it with the assessors. He had looked the matter up recently and had decided that he was not paying all that he should into the town treasury and he asked for the raise. The assessors promised to comply with his wishes and it is understood that they will raise the taxes of all other millionaires there to some extent. Mr. Bruce's example is the subject of much comment. For many years past Greenwich has raised \$30,000 by taxation, and has spent \$29,000 more than it raised. The debt has rolled up to nearly \$400,000. The town appointed an investigating committee and the members reported that more money must be raised by taxation. Fixing up the taxes had full was put over until next spring. The assessors figured up the amount of taxable property and an increase of the tax rate seemed probable. Persons who have looked up the matter say that there appears to be no law for the poor man and another for the rich man. The law says that each property owner must put in a list of the real value of all property, real and personal, but the general rule among persons of moderate means has been to pay on 60 per cent of value. The millionaires in some instances have not paid on 10 per cent of the property.

AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.

There is always compensation. Our angels go out that our archangels may come in.

Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.

It is poor wit who lives by borrowing the words, decisions, mein, inventions and actions of others.

What an absurd thing it is to pass over the valuable parts of a man, and fix our attentions on his infirmities.

Virtue will catch as well as vice by contact; and the public stock of honesty, mainly principle will daily accumulate.

A greater value should be set on having received instructive and useful lessons than of possessing great store of wealth; for the latter is transitory good, the former is durable.

There is scarcely a generalization for one sex which does not apply equally to the other, so perfectly alike to nature are men and women. The difference is only in circumstances.

Work of Livingstone's Daughters.

The two surviving daughters of Dr. Livingstone recently opened the extension of Livingstone College at Leyton, England, founded eight years ago for training in medicine and surgery those missionaries about to depart for far away stations where they would be called up to play the part of doctors as often as that of priest. It was because Livingstone himself was such a splendid example of the medically trained missionary that the fine college at Leyton was erected to his memory.

Boy Story-Writer's Honor.

A monument to the late Rev. Elijah Kellogg, the preacher and writer of books for boys, is projected in Maine, and three towns are laying claim to its location—Portland, the city of his birth; Brunswick, where he was educated, and Harpswell, the little seacoast town where he preached for so many years and where he died. Some of his friends suggest that the monument be erected in Portland and memorial tablets be placed in Brunswick and Harpswell.

Transvaal Gets New Stamps First.

The first stamps to be issued by the British government bearing the imprint of King Edward VII. will be a complete set for use in the Transvaal, says a London newspaper. The government designers are now at work on the pattern, which is understood to be a profile of his majesty on a background of deep carmine. At the same time the imprint of the King when Prince of Wales has been used by one or two of the colonies.

One Woman in Business.

A Chicago broker recently found a postal card in his morning mail reading as follows: "Dear Sir—Please buy me five thousand shares of People's Gas at 95 cents and sell the same at \$1.15. After deducting your commission you may remit the balance in a registered letter. Yours respectfully, Mrs. Bland. P. S.—My future patronage depends upon the promptness with which you act in executing the above order."

Married Each Other Often.

John and Mary Burkett, of Kokomo, Ind., began marrying each other about forty years ago, and have kept it up at intervals ever since. They have had three divorces and four weddings, neither having wedded another in the meantime. Kokomo also reports another couple, Henry and Myrtle Mohn, who have been married to each other three times, and are now living happily.

Waves Checked by Nets.

Baron Benvenuto d'Alessandro, an Italian, has invented a means of checking the force of waves by means of nets made of waterproof hemp. One recently tried with success at Havre was 360 feet long and fifty feet wide, with meshes eleven inches apart. The nets will break the waves at sea, and will also be a bulwark for hydraulic works against heavy surf.

Policeman's Christian Association.

Canon Hobson, the founder of the Policeman's Christian association, has arrived at New York. This association was founded eighteen years ago in a cellar in Liverpool. It had three members at the start, but today has over 100,000 throughout Great Britain and her colonies. He comes over to visit his sister in Fulton, Oswego county, New York.

Real Coral the Cheaper.

A store in New York which makes a specialty of fancy articles for women's wear recently displayed in a window two chains of coral beads. One was of round, smoothly polished beads and bore the legend, "Imitation coral, 65 cents." The other, of ragged, uncut coral, was marked, "Real coral, 25 cents."

Wheat Belt Around Wichita.

The Kansas wheat belt centers around Wichita. Within a hundred-mile radius of the town fully 60 per cent of the wheat of Kansas was raised, while in seventeen counties of southern and central Kansas 50 per cent of the yield was reaped. In northern Kansas but little wheat is raised.

Damage-Suit Lawyer's Wealth.

A lawyer named Patterson died a few days ago in Brooklyn, leaving about \$1,000,000, nearly all made by conducting damage suits in cases of accidents and personal injuries, the defendants being chiefly street railroad and similar corporations.

Poems by King James I.

An interesting literary discovery is reported from Oxford, where a number of hitherto unknown poems by King James I. have been found in the Bodleian library. They are stated to be undoubtedly genuine and bear the royal autograph.

Traveling with Ox Teams.

A novel vacation trip is being taken by Banker Jenkins and a party of eleven friends, from Carrollton, Kas. They are traveling across the state of Colorado in an old-style prairie wagon behind relays of oxen spans.

University Extension for St. Helena.

St. Helena is to have a university extension. The Cape University is going to send examiners to the island for the young Boer prisoners who are studying to enter the university.

Debts of Four Great Cities.

New York City's debt is now \$283,042,000. The debt of Chicago is \$26,000,000, of Philadelphia \$43,000,000, and of Boston \$56,000,000. The oldest cities have the largest debts.

Fish 150 Years Old.

There are some goldfish in Washington which have belonged to the same family for the last fifty years, and they seem no bigger and no less vivacious today than they did when they first came into the owner's possession. A few of the fish in the Royal Aquarium at St. Petersburg are known to be 150 years old and the age of the sacred fish in some of the ponds attached to the Buddhist temples in China is to be counted by centuries if we are to believe the priests.

Strawberry Vinegar.

Put two quarts of strawberries into a stone jar and pour over them one quart of good cider vinegar. Cover and stand aside for two days, then drain off the liquid without mashing the berries, pour it over a quart of fresh fruit, and stand as before. Do this once more, the last time straining through a muslin bag. Now add one pound of sugar to every pint of this liquid. Boil slowly five minutes, skim and stand fifteen minutes, bottle and seal.

A Very Novel Watch.

In Zurich a very novel watch has just been made. It forms the cup of heart of a jeweled flower, which is intended to be worn as an ornament. The flower itself can be opened or closed by touching a tiny spring, and when it is closed the little watch is not visible. When a lady wearing such an ornament desires to know the time all she has to do is to touch the spring, whereupon the flower opens and the watch is revealed.

A Major's Experience.

Major Scott, says the Jintown Ananias, being suddenly awakened last night, found five snakes in bed with him. The major jumped out of the front window and climbed a tree. He had not been there long before a hurricane blew the tree down; the tree fell on the house, smashed the roof, demolished the bed, and killed all the snakes. The only damage the major suffered was having a couple of his legs broken.

Peter Cooper's Way.

The unveiling of the Peter Cooper tablet in the building that was named for him in New York not unnaturally reminds us of the fact that there was something good in the good old days, not the least of which was the philanthropist who did what he could for the race without boasting of it, and who even sought to hide the bulk of his gifts from the public eye.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Dublin University Honors Americans.

The honorary degree of doctor of laws has been tendered by the University of Dublin to Hannis Taylor of Mobile, formerly United States minister to Spain and author of "Origin and Growth of the English Constitution" and of "International Public Law," and he was requested to be present in the city of Dublin, Ireland, in order to receive it in person on June 27.

Mexicans Adhere to Candles.

Candles are extensively used in Mexico, owing to the great expense of petroleum. A bookkeeper may be seen making his entries in a great ledger by the light of a single candle. A Mexican printer can work with a candlestick stuck carelessly into one of his boxes, and two tailors in the small shops can be seen sharing the rays of a single dip.

Money and Sweetheart Gone.

For five years Miss Bertha Hoyt and Ernest Bixby of Bridgeport, Conn., were engaged to be married. Ernest gave his sweetheart a part of his weekly earnings to save for him. Two months ago burglars broke into the Hoyt residence and stole the money. Now the sweetheart has eloped with another man.

Money Returned to Subscribers.

A great many persons were much put out by President McKinley's inability to keep his New England engagements. In Worcester, Mass., for instance, 300 tickets at \$10 each had been sold for the banquet projected in his honor, and the money was returned to subscribers.

Showcase Manufacture.

Among other lines of manufacture in which Baltimore leads the world is that of making showcases, and not only does Baltimore's output exceed that of any other city on the globe, but it was also one of the first to construct this useful article.

Barley Production.

Of the 2,080,000,000 bushels of barley produced by the civilized countries of the world Russia produces by far the largest amount. Next in order comes Austria, which is followed by Germany, the United States, England and Spain.

Studying Our Commercial Methods.

Loo Chin An, a high Chinese official and a commissioner of commerce, arrived in San Francisco recently, sent by his government to examine the commercial methods and history of this country.

Hired Twelve Extra Firemen.

Three passengers who left New York on the steamship St. Paul recently paid for twelve extra firemen in order to keep a dinner engagement in London the next Wednesday evening.

The Oldest Lifeboat.

South Shields, England, is said to possess the oldest lifeboat in existence. It has been in use since 1830, and by means of it, 1,028 persons have been rescued.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, August 29, 1901.

The Hawkeye Insurance company has commenced suit against the board of review demanding that the assessment against it be cancelled on the grounds that when it was made there was no law for it, and further, that the liabilities of the company were not taken into consideration by the assessor as an offset against the property. According to the petition the company was assessed at \$119,000. The company claims that this property is offset by liabilities, and that it has already paid to the state a sum amounting to 1 per cent of all the premiums that it had received during the past year. The statute which declares that all property belonging to insurance companies shall be assessed after the liabilities of various kinds (including policy risks) are deducted, is cited as a reason that the assessment is illegal. It is declared that inasmuch as an amount sufficient to pay the taxes which the company is required to pay has already been paid into the state treasury, that the present assessment, if enforced, will really be double taxation.

A fine life-size oil painting of Mrs. Pauline Given Swalm has been hung in the art gallery of the State Historical building. Mrs. Swalm, her mother, Mrs. Given, and her daughter, Miss Nina, were present when Curator Charles Aldrich superintended the ceremony. Mrs. Swalm has not yet determined definitely upon the legend to be engraved on the name plate, but she is being urged by Mr. Aldrich and other friends to inscribe her name and the words "Iowa Journalist" on it. The portrait was painted in Montevideo, Uruguay, by an Italian artist who is living there. Mrs. Swalm has spent about three years in that South American land and in traveling. Her husband, Col. Al Swalm, is United States consul at the port named. They have been spending the summer visiting Iowa friends.

Ira M. Street, daughter of the famous Gen. Joseph M. Street, who lies buried at Agency, has been spending the past week at the State Historical department building, mounting the immensely valuable letters which her father left at the time of his death, and whose immense worth as historical matters led her to present them to the historical department. She has also gone with the mounted and prepared manuscript to Chicago, where it will be bound under her personal direction. The letters left by her father and given to the state of Iowa contain many important epistles written by early prominent men of the state in relation to Gen. Street's continued efforts toward Christianizing and civilizing the Indians of the territory.

J. F. Mason, who is interested in the new company forming in Des Moines to manufacture paint from the Jasper county iron and silica deposit, has sent 400 pounds of the mineral to Chicago, where chemists will analyze and experiment with it with a view of ascertaining the cheapest and most effective manner of separating the minerals. The deposit is composed of 60 per cent of iron and 40 per cent of silica. The iron is used in making paints for exterior use and the silica for making paints for inside use. Herebefore blowers have been used for separating the minerals, but with this system the waste was enormous and reduced the profits very materially. It is believed that the experiments now in progress will develop a plan of separating the minerals by floating them in a combination of oils. If this can be accomplished, about 20 per cent of the raw material can be saved.

The board of control has determined in view of the unusually high price of potatoes to feed the inmates of the institutions on beans, corn and hominy to a considerable extent this year, providing potatoes once a day. A year's supply of navy beans for the state institutions will be obtained. Awards have been made on contracts for a year's supply of navy beans for the institution. Specifications for beans were sent out some time ago, as soon as it was ascertained there would be a shortage in the potato crop. The aggregate amount of beans provided for was 2,000 bushels, though more can be obtained under the contracts if needed. Contracts for dried apples were also awarded for some of the institutions where fruit is scarce on account of the drought and hot weather.

The governor has appointed Robert L. Parrish of Leon judge of the Third judicial district, in place of Judge Clifford, whose resignation as such took effect recently. Mr. Parrish has been nominated for the office by the republicans of that district in convention at Osceola.

All Powers Must Consent.

Pekin, Aug. 28.—Commercial relations with China if hereafter considered will be discussed by representatives of eleven powers regardless of the amount of trade of each nation, as the consent of each power will be essential to any arrangement that is made.

Town Lots Sold for \$659,427.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Reports at the general land office show that the total receipts from the sale of lots in the new towns in Oklahoma to August 24 aggregated \$659,427. The sales were: In Lawton, 1,068 lots for \$351,805; in Anadarko, 1,043 lots for \$179,245; in Hobart, 1,123 lots for \$128,377. Mr. Richards, the assistant commissioner, who has had general charge of the sales, estimates that the disposition of the remaining lots will bring the grand total up to \$700,000.

In Sweden purchase of medicines from abroad by individuals is forbidden by law.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

MURDERER HIDES FROM A MOB.

Correctionville Has a Riot at a Wild West Show.

Sioux City, Aug. 27.—The visit of Paveness Bill's wild west show to Correctionville resulted in a riot, in which Joe Sullivan, an employee of the show, was shot and instantly killed by J. Tarley Cave, a young man of the town, who was with difficulty rescued by officers from the infuriated mob of hundreds of showmen, determined upon wreaking vengeance for the homicide. It is said Cave shot in self-defense.

The rioters besieged the Petty hotel, in which Cave had taken refuge, breaking windows and doors and threatening to burn the house. After Cave's escape from the town in charge of officers, who brought him to Sioux City for safety, the mob caught a member of the Illinois Central bridge gang, whose name was not learned, supposing him to be Cave, and not until after he had been slugged in the head with a knife and cut in the back with a slung shot he was rescued and his assailants convinced he was not the man who shot his companion.

SENATORIAL DEADLOCK BROKEN.

F. G. Hartshorn of Wright County Nominated on 337th Ballot.

Webster City, Aug. 29.—After being in session five days, the Twenty-seventh district senatorial convention has finished its work. On the 337th ballot Hartshorn of Wright county, making him the nominee. The best of feeling prevailed throughout the prolonged contest and the nominee will receive the full party vote at the polls.

Almost Miraculous Recovery.

Waterloo, Aug. 28.—Word has been received here that Frank Bender of this city, the Illinois Central engineer who was impaled on a timber at Fort Dodge recently, is somewhat better, and that the attending physicians hope for his complete recovery. Fort Dodge physicians say that the case is one of the most remarkable in medical annals, and that should the victim of the accident recover, as now seems probable, the case will attract the attention of the medical profession all over the United States.

Instantly Killed by Lightning.

Cleghorn, Aug. 28.—During a severe rain and thunder storm here a bolt of lightning struck the E. Stevens elevator office, in which eight young men had taken refuge from the storm. Wm. E. Springer, who was standing at a window, received the full force of the bolt and was instantly killed. A tramp tailor, who gave his name as Berger, was badly stunned. The dead young man was the son of A. J. Springer, a well-to-do farmer near Cleghorn, and was running a small confectionery store here.

County Auditor Indicted.

Eldora, Aug. 29.—The Hardin county grand jury has returned an indictment against County Auditor C. E. Welch, accusing him of failure to perform his duty in not having published in the official papers of the county all the proceedings of the board of supervisors. This is the initial number of various suits growing out of the collection of back and delinquent taxes. Much interest is manifested all over the county in the matter.

Lost \$100,000; Dies a Pauper.

Dubuque, Aug. 29.—Reuben Jarrett, at one time worth \$100,000, died at the county poorhouse, aged 90 years. He came here in 1836 and made money by mining. Jarrett, after he had made his pile, went to St. Louis, where he spent money lavishly. Among other things he bought a steamboat and ran it up and down the river for pleasure. His fortune was soon spent and for years he has been an inmate of the poorhouse.

Wants \$10,000 Damages.

Burlington, Aug. 27.—John F. Morrell, an electric lineman, who was nearly electrocuted July 20 while working for the Burlington Electric Light company, has sued the company for \$10,000 damages, charging the company with criminal carelessness. The young man was frightfully burned, hanging in the wires far above the ground for some time before being released.

Oil in Bremer County.

Waverly, Aug. 29.—Geo. Kohlman, while in the vicinity of Frederika, procured samples of oil taken from a well there that the owners believe will prove of value. The well was dug several years ago. It is forty-two feet deep. Recently a tub of water taken from it ignited when a match was thrown on to it. The product will be analyzed by a competent chemist.

Tragedy at Cleveland.

Ottumwa, Aug. 27.—Thomas Hall, an alleged joint keeper, living at Cleveland, a small mining camp west of this city, was shot and fatally wounded during an altercation in his place. James Sage, proprietor of the company store at that place, is charged with being responsible for the deed, but claims it was done in self-defense.

Parrish Sailed for Judge.

Osceola, Aug. 28.—The republican judicial convention of the Third judicial district was held here yesterday for the purpose of choosing a successor to Judge W. H. Tedford of Corydon, who resigned a short time ago. There was a spirited contest, ending in the nomination of R. L. Parrish of Leon, Decatur county, on the 11th ballot.

Chicago Great Western Improvements.

Fort Dodge, Aug. 29.—President Colt, of the Mason City & Fort Dodge railroad, in an interview stated that the Omaha and Sioux City extensions of the Chicago Great Western would begin with the opening of spring. The Clarion, Hampton, Mason City and Manley Junction connections will be completed by the end of the year, and trains will be run on the Great Western from Fort Dodge to Chicago and St. Paul and Minneapolis by January 1. The total cost of the building to be done by the Great Western will approximate \$10,000,000.

OSTEOPATHS WIN A VICTORY.

Demurrer filed by State in Mandamus Case is Overruled.

Des Moines, Aug. 29.—Judge S. F. Prouty has overruled the demurrer of Milton Remley, on behalf of the state board of medical examiners, to the petition of C. L. Parsons, of Eagle Grove, for a writ of mandamus compelling the board to issue him a certificate to practice osteopathy in Iowa, under the osteopathic state law.

This is a great victory for the S. S. Still College of Osteopathy, of Des Moines. It compels the state to justify and defend its refusal to grant these certificates. Its demurrer to Parsons' petition set up two reasons. One was the alleged unconstitutionality of the osteopathic law; the other was the claim that the board of medical examiners is the sole arbiter of the administration of the law. The court overruled the motion based on these grounds, and it is doubtful if the board, in view of that adverse ruling, will carry the case farther or even appeal from Judge Prouty's decision.

Practically, therefore, the petition will give the graduates of S. S. Still College a right to the state certificates. It is true that they can already lawfully practice osteopathy in Iowa. Now they will come under state sanction and administration.

ABRAMS IS TURNED DOWN.

He is Deposed as Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League.

Des Moines, Aug. 28.—The third party prohibitionists secured substantial control of the Iowa Anti-Saloon league at the state convention held yesterday at Plymouth church. It succeeded in not only deposing H. J. Abrams from his position as state superintendent, but in securing an endorsement of the prohibition candidates for state officers. Later, after explanations had been made, Mr. Abrams was placed at the head of the department for the enforcement of law, and accepted this position. These officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, L. S. Collins, Fort Dodge; first vice president, J. H. Campbell, Des Moines; second vice president, E. L. Brockway, Iowa City; third vice president, Nathalia Gordon, Des Moines; secretary, Rev. Mott R. Sawyer, Centerville; treasurer, Alex. Hastie, Des Moines; superintendent, H. C. Marshall, Sioux City; executive committee, A. K. Campbell, Des Moines; Rev. J. N. McCash, Des Moines; R. P. McConaughy, Atlantic; H. H. Fairall, Iowa City.

Consul Johnson's Wife Insane.

Ottumwa, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Ben Johnson, wife of United States consul Ben Johnson of Utica, Honduras, whose home is at Keosauqua, has been adjudged insane and sent to the hospital at Mt. Pleasant for treatment. The case is a very sad one, Mrs. Johnson's malady appearing within the past six weeks, or since her husband had left home to return to his post of duty. Mr. Johnson has been on a three months' leave of absence, which he spent with relatives in this vicinity. His daughter, Mrs. Lee Daugherty of Keosauqua, returned to Honduras with him and expects to remain until October. As yet she has not been apprised of her mother's trouble.

Took a Fatal Drink.

Bussey, Aug. 27.—Ira Godfrey, a farmer about 40 years old, living a few miles north of here, died as the result of drinking carboic acid which had become mixed with his whisky by a remarkable accident. He was returning from town, under the influence of liquor, with a bottle of carboic acid and another of liquor in the same pocket. The bottles were broken and the whisky became saturated with the poison. Godfrey, in seeking to lose none of the liquor, drank what could be saved, and in so doing swallowed a fatal dose.

Postmaster Bowker Short.

Fort Dodge, Aug. 27.—Leslie E. Bowker, postmaster at Crystal Lake, Iowa, was arrested on charge of shortage in accounts. The arrest created much excitement, as Bowker was a highly respected citizen of Crystal Lake. The shortage to the amount of \$300 was discovered by Postal Inspector Ketchum, and Bowker admitted his guilt and restored part of the money. He could not furnish bail and was jailed at Sioux City. Bowker will not divulge the motive which prompted his action.

Yeomans Sells His Farm.

Sioux City, Aug. 28.—One of the largest land deals in Iowa this year has just been consummated by Interstate Commerce commissioner J. D. Yeomans in the sale of the Ashton stock farm of 160 acres, all in Monona county. The purchaser is H. Edward Evans, of Illinois, the consideration being \$34,500. Some years ago Mr. Evans lived on the fruit farm. It belonged to him. Now he buys it back at a much increased price.

Boys Buried in a Sand Bank.

Cedar Rapids, Aug. 29.—Johnnie Skersiek and Charlie Simplich, two boys at Bertram, a small town near this city, were smothered to death in a sand bank and were not discovered until some of their comrades passed on their way for the cows and saw the boys' hats and dinner buckets.

Father and Son Killed.

Ottumwa, Aug. 27.—Hiram Heiki, a farmer whose home is two and one-half miles north of Eddyville, is dead, and his 10-year-old son is unconscious and in a serious condition as the result of having been struck by Rock Island passenger train No. 204 about a mile from Eddyville.

Everything we seek to do has a risk connected with it.

Deadlock Is Broken.

Estherville, Aug. 24.—After three adjournments and after a three days' session of the republican representative convention for the counties of Emmet, Dickinson and Osceola at Sibley, Iowa, the deadlock was finally broken by Osceola casting a sufficient number of votes on the two thousand seven hundred and twenty-first ballot to nominate B. F. Robinson of Emmet county. A motion to make it unanimous was made by L. E. Francis of Dickinson county, seconded by Mr. Stage of Osceola county, and carried.

NEWS IN GENERAL

FRIENDSHIP BADLY STRAINED.

Diplomatic Relations Between France and Turkey Finally Broken.

Paris, Aug. 28.—A semi-official note has been issued, announcing that the porte, not having carried out its undertakings with regard to the disputed questions between the French and Ottoman governments, M. Constans, the French ambassador, acting under instructions from the foreign minister of France, left Constantinople August 26th, the date named in his last communication to the porte on the subject. An arrangement had been effected August 17 and its terms drafted by the Ottoman minister with the approval of the sultan, who had promised M. Constans that the text should be handed to him August 18th. M. Constans telegraphed to Paris August 19th that none of the promises had been fulfilled, and M. Del Casse, minister of foreign affairs, August 20th, telegraphed M. Constans that, in view of so flagrant a disregard of the undertakings the negotiations could no longer be continued, and required M. Constans to inform the porte that he had received orders to leave Constantinople. On August 23 M. Constans communicated with the porte, fixing August 26 as the date for his departure, and as the engagements were still unkept, M. Constans left Constantinople August 26. With the departure of M. Constans the relations between France and Turkey may be regarded as broken off. Munir Bey, the Turkish ambassador to France, has been telegraphed to not return to Paris.

Washington, August 28.—It is feared in official circles here that the withdrawal of the French ambassador from Constantinople marks the dissolution of the concert of European powers under which the integrity of Turkey was guaranteed. By treaty of Berlin all the great powers subscribed to an agreement to refrain from any act that would tend to the destruction of the Ottoman empire. This action was taken to forestall what were conceived to be the designs of Russia to seize on Turkish territory, and Russia herself was led to subscribe to the agreement by force of circumstances. Although several times severely strained, notably by such events as the last war between Turkey and Greece, this pact has so far endured without amendment, but it is apprehended now that if the action of France is carried out to the extreme indicated in the dispatches, each of the other signatory powers will feel obliged in self-protection to disregard the agreement and press upon Turkey the vast financial and other claims that have accumulated in the past quarter of a century, with a result of disrupting the present Turkish government.

MORE PRECAUTIONS IN MANILA.

City's Military Force Will Be Increased by Four Companies of Infantry.

Manila, Aug. 28.—In the city of Manila there are now less than 1,000 effective soldiers and it has been decided to increase this number by four companies of infantry. The reason for the increase is that the guard duty is too heavy for the present force. There is, moreover, a feeling that, although there is no prospect of trouble, in the event of an uprising such as is always possible among the Malays, it would be better to have a sufficient body of troops available. General Chaffee says he considers the city of Manila to be perfectly orderly and he can see no prospect of an uprising. Many army officers say they are satisfied of the improvement in the military force. They think that, with the military guard withdrawn from the prison, another uprising might result in the release of about 1,800 prisoners.

TRUST'S IDEA OF THE STRIKE.

Officials Say That There Is But One Way to Settle.

New York, Aug. 28.—Officials of the United States Steel corporation make the following statement: "The reports that there are negotiations for a settlement of the steel strike in progress are erroneous. The United States Steel corporation has received no proposals for the settlement and has made none. Many of our men are returning to work and many others are desirous of resuming their places. The strike can only be settled by the return of the men to their places."

BRITISH CONVOY ATTACKED.

Boers Driven Off After Inflicting Considerable Loss to British.

London, Aug. 28.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria says: "A convoy on its way from Kimberley to Graaff-Reinet was attacked near Roikopje. The attack was driven off by Captain Blumby's escort of the Seventy-fourth imperial yeomanry, who lost nine men killed and had twenty-three wounded. The convoy was brought in safely."

BRITISH FORCE SURROUNDED.

Three Officers and Sixty-five Men Fall Into Hands of Boers.

London, Aug. 27.—A dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated from Pretoria, says: "Three officers and sixty-five men who were sent north of Ladybrand (Orange River Colony) on the right of Elliott's columns, were surrounded on unfavorable ground and captured by a superior force August 22. One man was killed and four were wounded. The prisoners were released."

New Record for Cresceus.

Readville, Mass., Aug. 24.—The celebrated Cresceus was the magnet to draw almost 15,000 people to the Grand Circuit meeting here. In the second heat of his winning race with Lord Derby and Charley Herr, the Chestnut horse lowered the track record for the mile by three-quarters of a second and broke the world's record of final quarters, by trotting that distance in 29 1/2, beating the former record of thirty seconds for the final quarter, which he himself made at Detroit a month ago.

Our views are like our nails; even as we cut them they grow again.

TURKEY'S DILATORY TACTICS.

French Ambassador Compelled to Put More Pressure on the Porte.

Constantinople, Aug. 27.—M. Constans, the French ambassador, after making farewell calls on his colleagues, left here yesterday on board the Vautour for Stamboul, where he will take the train.

Paris, Aug. 27.—Sultan Abdul Hamid's persistence in procrastinating methods continue to disturb the Turkish relations with France. His irate giving satisfaction in the quays question was taken as indicating that he would accept the entire French claims, but M. Constans telegraphed yesterday that the sultan was still holding out against the claims payment of the three Frenchmen, dating back many years and amounting to several million francs, for which M. Constans demanded a settlement and declared he would leave Constantinople yesterday unless the matter was settled. This action, however, will only be a manifestation of dissatisfaction, and not a rupture of relations, as the councillor of the French embassy will take over the affairs of the embassy and continue the negotiations. M. Constans ostensibly will leave on a vacation. No word has been received from him yet regarding yesterday's developments.

SCHLEY COURT OF INQUIRY

List of Witnesses to Be Called to Testify.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The list of witnesses prepared by Captain Lemly, judge advocate of the Schley court of inquiry, and transmitted to Admiral Schley has been made public by Captain Lemly. It does not purport to be a complete list, but includes the principal witnesses who will be called by the judge advocate. The witnesses whom Admiral Schley has asked to be summoned are not included in the list. That list is as follows:

Rear Admirals Wm. T. Sampson, Robley D. Evans, Francis J. Higginson, Charles S. Cotton, Henry C. Taylor.

Captains French E. Chadwick, Caspar F. Goodrich, Charles D. Sigbee, Wm. C. Wise, Francis M. Cooke, Bowman H. McCalla, Theodore F. Jewell, Wm. M. Folger, Robt. M. Berry, John L. Hannum, retired.

Commanders Wm. F. Potter, Richard Wainwright, Joseph D. Eaton, Newton E. Mason, Seaton Schroeder, Giles B. Harney, James M. Miller, Lewis G. Heilner, Alexander B. Bates.

Lieutenant Commanders Sidney A. Staunton, Nathaniel R. Usher, Albert W. Grant, Albion C. Hodgson, Wm. H. H. Southard, Wm. H. Schuetzete, Templin M. Potter, Alex. Sharp, Jr.

Capt. Wm. C. Dawson, U. S. M. C. Lieutenants Charles C. Marsh, Spencer S. Wood, Victor B. Simms, Charles Webster, John Hood, Charles H. Harlow, Charles W. Dyson, W. D. McAlpin.

Lieutenants (junior grade) Ernest B. Knott, Henry G. Mustin.

Acting Boatswain Dennis J. O'Connell.

Chief Quartermaster Niels Anderson, and others.

The list of witnesses to be called by the judge advocate throws considerably light upon the lines of testimony which he will seek to adduce before the court. Admiral Sampson, as commander-in-chief of the fleet, of course heads the list. Then follow the captains of all the ships engaged in the Santiago campaign, with the exception of Captain Clarke, of the Oregon, and Captain Philip, of the Texas, the latter having died since the war. Evans was in command of the Iowa, Higginson of the Massachusetts, Cotton of the scout Harvard, Taylor of the Indiana, Chadwick of the New York, Goodrich of Newark and the scout St. Louis, Sigbee of the scout St. Paul, Wise of the scout Yale, Cooke of the Brooklyn, McCalla of the Marblehead, Jewell of the scout Minneapolis, Folger of the New Orleans, and Barry of the Castine. Hannum (retired) was chief engineer of the Brooklyn; Commander Potter was the executive officer of the New York; Wainwright was in command of the Gloucester, Eaton of the Resolute, Mason was executive officer of the Brooklyn, Schroeder was executive officer of the Massachusetts, Harber was executive officer of the Texas, Miller commanded the Merrimack, Hilner was chief engineer of the Texas, Lieutenant Commander Staunton was Sampson's chief of staff aboard the New York, Usher was commander of the Erickson, Grant was aboard the Massachusetts, Hodgson was navigating officer of the Brooklyn, the seerhand was in command of the Dolphin, Schuetzete was aboard the Indiana, Potts was aboard the Massachusetts, and Sharp was in command of the Vixen. Captain Dewson was commander of the marines aboard the Indiana. Lieutenant Marsh was on Sampson's staff, Wood was commander of the Torpedo boat Dupont, Blue was aboard the Vixen, Coyle and Barlow were executive officers of the Vixen; Dyson was engineer of the Texas, and McAlpin assistant engineer of the Brooklyn; Lieutenant Bennett was on Sampson's staff, Ensign Mustin was aboard the New York, and Boatswain O'Connell and Quartermaster Anderson were on the Brooklyn. Edgar May, a clerk in the office of the judge advocate, has been detailed to assist Judge Advocate General Lemly in the preparation and handling of papers before the court. Although not an assistant to Judge Advocate General Lemly in a technical sense, he will act in that capacity so far as the handling of the papers in the formal presentation of his case is concerned.

Sultan to Pay a Big Sum.

Constantinople, Aug. 27.—The amount of indemnity which the sultan agrees to pay the quays company for interference with the rights is 700,000 francs. The sultan will also pay 600,000 francs to a Frenchman on account of the seizing of his lands in Albania. The quays company renounces for a year the clause in its concession regarding the transfer of the quays to Turkey, only, it is believed, to save appearance for the sultan.

We should all like to see the undertaker prosper if we could designate the source of his income.

NEGRO BURNED IN TENNESSEE.

A Brute Meets His Fate Bravely for a Terrible Crime.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 27.—Henry Niles, the negro who assaulted and shot to death Mrs. Charles Williams, the wife of a prominent farmer near Winchester, Tenn., last Friday, was captured near Cowan, Tenn., taken to the scene of his crime and burned to death.

When captured he was placed in the county jail at Winchester. Soon a mob of several hundred gathered. The assistant attorney general, Judge Lynch, and others appealed to the crowd to let the law take its course. No sooner had the appeals been made than several hundred citizens from the neighborhood where the crime was committed came up and augmented the crowd to thousands. They swept upon the jail, overpowered the sheriff and deputies, took the prisoner and started for the scene of the crime, twelve miles distant.

A procession three miles long followed the mob. Arriving at the scene of the crime, the negro was placed upon a stump and given a chance to make a statement. He said: "Tell my sisters and brothers to meet me in glory. I am going to make that a home. Tell my mother to meet me where parting will be no more." He then confessed that he was the only one implicated in the crime.

The mob then bound the negro to a tree with chains and saturated the body with oil. A match was applied, and instantly the quivering body was enveloped in flames. Fence rails were pitched about the burning negro, and soon life was extinct. The negro did not make an outcry at any time. At least 6,000 persons witnessed the horrible fate of the negro. Many remained until nightfall to see that the body was entirely consumed.

SULTAN WANTS A LIFE.

Georges Dorys, Author of a Life of the Sultan, Condemned to Death.

Paris, Aug. 30.—Georges Dorys, son of the late Prince of Samos, a former minister of the sultan of Turkey and formerly governor of Crete, has been condemned to death by the sultan's courts at the direction of Abdul Hamid II. This action was taken in Constantinople because of the publication of M. Dorys' book, "The Private Life of the Sultan."

The book so angered Turkey's ruler that he exerted his influence in diplomatic channels to have it suppressed in all European countries. His efforts succeeded in Sweden, but the popular outcry against such action in Paris was so strong that the government declined to exert itself.

M. Dorys secretly left Constantinople some time ago, and is now resident in Paris, where he has identified himself with the young Turkish party.

Paris, Aug. 30.—The Echo du Paris says it learns that if the sultan does not satisfy the French demands within twenty-four hours surveillance over the young Turkish party in France will no longer be enforced.

Paris, Aug. 30.—M. Constans, the French ambassador to Turkey, arrived in Paris yesterday from Constantinople and had a conference with the foreign minister, M. Del Casse. In an interview afterward, M. Constans said he would not return to Constantinople until the dispute was settled. M. Del Casse at yesterday's conference confirmed the statement that M. (Constans) had acted in perfect accord with the views of the government. The ambassador did not think the sultan would hold out very long, while as to the possibility of war between France and Turkey, M. Constans said it was quite out of the question.

COLOMBIA'S FOREIGN POLICY.

Desires No Disruption of Friendly Relations Abroad.

New York, Aug. 30.—The Associated Press has received the following dispatch, dated Bogota, August 24, from a Colombian official or high rank:

General Pedro D. Ospino, acting minister of war, who has prepared an excellent and extensive plan of campaign, confirms the reports that within the last fifteen days he has destroyed nearly all of the Colombian guerrillas. The government of Colombia has maintained strict neutrality regarding Ecuador and Venezuela, knowing the fact that the governments of the said countries have upheld and effectively aided rebels of Colombia, thus prolonging the revolution in this country. Recently the revolutionary chiefs of Colombia have met on the frontier of Venezuela to organize new invasions of Colombia, using the munitions of war accumulated by the government of Venezuela on her frontiers. The party of Venezuela, surrounded near Cucula, are about to return to their country. They are commanded by Dr. Rangel Garbarras. The position taken by the government of Colombia is one of peace and neutrality. These are fundamental in her foreign policy. The frontiers of Colombia are sufficiently defended. Colombia feels certain that she can maintain her rights and repel whatever foreign invasions may offer.

England to Stand Pat.

Cape Town, Aug. 28.—Lord Milner, the British high commissioner in South Africa, replying to an address of welcome, said there was no doubt whatsoever of the unshakable determination of the people and government of Great Britain to adhere to their South African policy.

Disastrous Fire at Scranton.

Scranton, Aug. 30.—A great fire raged here last night. Seventeen business houses were destroyed at a loss of about \$50,000, partially covered by insurance.

Molested His Guests.

Colon, Aug. 27.—General Alban, governor of Panama, who was recently granted extraordinary civil and military powers on both sides of the isthmus, is now absent at Sanilla. He is supposed to be bringing troops for the protection of the isthmus. He lately invited a number of friends at Panama to his home, put a guard at the door and forced his guests to contribute liberally to the government before releasing them.

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The Clutch of Circumstances.

BY E. C. WALTZ.
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When the wind swept the boat across the waters, tossing it to and fro in a mocking and mad glee, Carter Starr had only the one thought—to save his companion and himself. The boatride was a mad escapade on the part of both—a daring defiance of the old quarrel between her uncle and adopted father, Belden Storms and his own family. But when the fates threw them together for a fortnight's sojourn at the seaside hotel, the two saw a humor in the situation that drove them into follies and pranks undreamed of before.
He knew that she was pretty and an heiress. He knew that his own fortunes depended upon the caprice of his grandfather. She admired him with a woman's admiration, because he was forbidden to her by every tradition of the Storms family.
Introduced by accident and among strangers, the two laughed into each other's eyes and defied fortune and tradition. They met afterwards by those strange accidents that seem arranged for such cases, in the early morning dip in the sea, in the nooks of the long porticoes, at night during the pauses of the dance—and, on an island party over the bay, in the dance itself because it was safe enough. But this afternoon had been utterly without precedent. He had strolled away in his flannels for a smoke and to read while the hotel people napped after luncheon. And, in the shade of a great rock, he had chanced upon Eloise Storms awake, alert, saucy and magnetic. An hour later they went out for a sail over to Idle Rock. That was the story—only they had not counted on what might happen.
What did happen made them helpless, their boat disabled in a few moments, at the mercy of a wild sea. Then was the dreadful darkness of the tossing waters and a blinding rain. Eloise's red parasol went to and fro toward the shore like a gay buoy at the first gust. And after it went her pique cap and his own soft felt, mere links in a chain of evidence in after hours.
It was hard to say which was the paler face in the first realizations of the moment. But Eloise recovered herself with the courage of her race. "We shall be carried out to sea," He looked at her with trembling lips



"We shall be carried to sea."
"I should have known better than to have brought you."
She smiled bitterly.
"And I should not have come. We are even. Can we get through the storm?"
He looked out to the infinite, omnipotent sea. His reckless moods fell from him. The wind blew the girl's brown hair about her shoulders. He could not see her face. He tried to keep a control of the rudder for a long time but gave it up as useless. Out, out into the darkness and tossing waters they went with the receding tide. Finally he crept along close to her and took her hands.
"You have been very brave—I think

I will tell you that the boat may break up later. It is an old one and leaking horribly. Here is a rope. I will tie it about you and myself as well as I can and to the mast and deck piece. Believe me, I will do all I can to save you."
She put her hands on his shoulders and looked into his eyes.
"Forgive me."
"For what?"



They were both stern and choleric.
"Folly. I knew better than to dare fate so."
"So did I. You must forgive me a man should be wise."
"And a woman discreet. What would my uncle and aunt say now?"
He was knotting the rope about her.
"We may never know. Now we cannot be separated. If one drowns, the other will. It is just, is it not? And it makes chances."
"I would not have it any other way. Who wants to go into the Unknown alone?"
He rose up suddenly.
"Eloise, the worst is coming. Give me your hand, no, hold to me. See!"
She looked seaward and saw that which made her shriek and cling to him.
Two hours later they lay somewhere on the sand, still in a terrible darkness and the storm raging about them. That they were alive seemed a miracle. When consciousness returned to him the sea was washing their bodies. He had dragged her higher onto the sand and discovered that she was not dead. Now her head was pillowed on his shoulder and her face hidden on his breast.
"Where are we?"
"I do not know. We must wait for light. It may be an island—it may be the shore."
She laughed bitterly.
"It does not make much difference. I shall never go back."
"Why? O, I know, I know!"
"You do not know the Storms. I am forever disgraced in their eyes. I would rather be dead. I shall never go back. Get me away somewhere and let me disappear. I will work, anything, anything, rather than face my uncle."
Her voice was scornful and dreary enough. He smoothed her wind-roughened hair.
"Do not think that I do not know. I cannot see that my own case is very different. I, too, have offended against the unwritten laws. I also must bear my punishment."
"Which will be—?"
"My grandfather never forgives."
"I know that well."
After a long silence during which the wind seemed somewhat less terrible, he said, in a low tone:
"But I will make it up to you."
"How can you?"
"I can at least save you from the worst."
"The worst," she shuddered.
"I can make you my wife."
"You? And I was to make such a great marriage?"
"So was I. Perhaps this is one. We can call it so."
She wrung her hands. "I cannot go back alone. I cannot. But nothing

could be worse than the return. I see no other way. Can you brave it?"
He smoothed her hair from her forehead.
"We know the world and we see the situation. We were saved together and are known to have been out on the sea by this time. I will take you back as my wife. That will be the only thing now—as I see."
"But marriage—marriage is a solemn, a sacred tie."
"So it is. We will try to do our duty. I think death has purified our souls tonight. So be comforted and we will see what the light brings us. It may solve the problem of what to do next."
In the faint gray dawn he awoke from a troubled sleep. They were on a long sandy beach. Clear across the bay were the buildings of the great hotel. Beyond and above them was a small village and the cross of a tiny stone church showed over the trees.
"The way is found," he said, calmly, "come, we will go yonder."

The news of their rescue went by telephone to the great hotel and the whole house, excited by their disappearance and survival, waited on the piazzas and at the wharf for their return on the coast steamer.
The people at the village had given them some clothing but they presented a strange appearance as they stepped on shore. At the gang-plank stood a white-haired old man and a red-faced middle-aged man. They were both stern and choleric, their great relief finding vent in hot anger. The culprits came together. Carter Starr held his head high and his lips were as set as his grandfather's own. Eloise was wan and clung to his arm. There was a loud huzzahing of the passengers and a dash forward to shake hands.
"Wait," he cried, "and I'll give you something to halloo for. Miss Storms and myself have been very near Death and have come back as we were saved, together. We were married this morning at St. Stephen's across the bay."
The old man's eyes at once met those of the red-faced man in a look of intense relief. He caught his grandson's arm.
"And you did right, you scamp!" he roared out, "You are always a gentleman."
And Eloise felt her uncle's wet cheek against her own.
"The proper thing," he sobbed, "the proper thing—and, under the circumstances, the only thing."

FIND WATER IN THE DESERT.

Plentiful Flow Is Struck in Mojave Desert by Prospectors.
The Mojave desert, located in the southeastern portion of the state, has long been regarded as dangerous to life and valueless for any purpose, says the San Francisco Argonaut. True, it was known that the arid land could be rendered fruitful by means of irrigation, but there was no water there and none could be obtained without a heavy expenditure. The only plan proposed that promised relief was the construction of immense reservoirs in the mountains to retain the storm water for a long distance during the summer. This meant a heavy initial outlay and neither the state government nor the federal government has as yet expressed a willingness to incur it. Life on the desert when not positively dangerous, is crowded with hardships, but hardships have no deterrent effect upon the searchers for gold, and lately the waste places of the desert have been invaded by an army of prospectors for oil. The theory upon which they proceeded was that the Kern river oil belt extends through the Mojave desert. Whether or not there is any virtue in this theory, the facts so far developed have not justified it. No oil has been found, but water in considerable quantities has been struck and at the present time this is more valuable than the oil would have been. Artesian water, if a sufficient quantity can be found, is much better than the retained and ditched storm water would have been, since there is less expense for handling and less loss from evaporation. Three wells have been developed already. The third struck the water at a depth of 155 feet, which is much more shallow than would be required for an oil well. All of them are said to be "gushers," and the latest flows 215 miner's inches. If the water belt should prove to be permanent and extensive a rush to this region and something very like a land boom, may be looked for.

The Kaiser's Church-Building Fad.
The Kaiser of Germany has many hobbies; the Kaiserin only one, the building of churches, says the New York Times. As, however, she is constantly indulging her taste for ecclesiastical construction, the matter is, financially at least, of some importance to those who pay for her piety. There is, therefore, a certain good-natured dissatisfaction with her extravagance in this line. Taxpayers comfort themselves with the thought that she might spend their money in less praiseworthy objects. The feeling on the subject was recently given expression to in a comical manner at the unveiling of one of the groups of the statues with which the emperor has decorated the alley in the Tiergarten in Berlin, known as the "Siegerallee." At the close of the ceremony came the national hymn, "Heil Dir im Siegerkranz," whereat every one, of course, uncovered. Among the number was a totally bald man, seeing whom one of the street urchins present called out: "Hey, there's another vacant spot for the Kaiserin to build a church on!"

LITERARY NOTES.
The Lothrop Publishing company, Boston, announce "When the Land Was Young," being the true romance of Miss Anne Antoinette Huguenin and Captain Jack Middleton in the days of the buccaneers, by Lafayette McLaws. Among the entertaining romances that are based upon the colonial days of American history this novel will take rank as one of the most notable. Captain Jack Middleton of the Carolina colony attempts to rescue his neighbor, Colonel Huguenin, a French Protestant, from the Spaniards of St. Augustine, to whom the Yemassee had delivered him captive. While on this search the colonel's daughter, Antoinette Huguenin, is also captured by Spaniards and taken prisoner to St. Augustine. The tale is picturesque in location, environment and action; charming in detail and motive; dramatic in method; and altogether absorbing in plot and surprises. The hero is a real man; the heroine is one of the most attractive figures in romance; while Lumulgee, the great war chief of the Choctaws, and Sir Henry Morgan, the buccaneer knight and terror of the Spanish Main, divide the honors with her, and the heroine, against an historical background Miss McLaws has thrown a story that is dramatic and brilliant.

"Dri and I," a tale of daring deeds in the second war with the British, by Irving Bacheller, author of Eben Holden, is also announced by the Lothrop company.
The North Country; that quaint, strong, noble character, Eben Holden; and Irving Bacheller, made the year 1900 memorable in literature. This same Northland standing over against the rugged New England frontier is the home of Dri, as staunch a man as ever stood in life, and in Mr. Bacheller's hands, by his indescribable touch of genius, another creation in fiction. But he is only the center of the picture, while around him is woven a romance that is delightful and adventures that are thrilling. Love, valor, war, devotion, humanity, loyalty and humor are blended in one beautiful story. Side by side are the Yankee and the Cavalier, trackless forests and courts of fair women, with that sparkle and pathos that brings tears to the eyes. In a word, it is Irving Bacheller in a border-tale of 1812! Perry's victory on Lake Erie has never been told as here.

Everything points to a literary revival of interest in Aaron Burr, just as we have had in relation to Lincoln, Grant, Napoleon, Cromwell, etc. Charles Felton Pidgin's romance, "Blennerhassett," which the C. M. Clark company of Boston issue the first week in September, makes Burr the hero of a romance, and presents him in so favorable a light as to be quite contrary to the teachings of school history. For this reason alone, if for no other, the book will very likely attract universal interest. The story is said to be an exciting one, of a decided dramatic flavor, touching on the most interesting incidents in the lives of Aaron Burr, his daughter Theodosia, Alexander Hamilton, Herman Blennerhassett, and his wife, Margaret, Thomas Jefferson, and other contemporaneous characters. It is described as vigorously told in the author's own peculiarly simple style, bright and animated, and delightfully captivating. Repetitive with adventure, pathos and tragedy, it is said to be a splendid combination of artistic quality, dramatic power and human interest. The volume will be printed on antique laid paper, bound in cloth, with striking decoration cover, gilt top, and including 12 full page illustrations by C. M. Stephens.

Thomas O'Donnell, M. P., who a few months ago created intense excitement in Great Britain by attempting to address the house of commons in the Gaelic tongue, writes in the Review of Reviews for August on the modern revival of Ireland's ancient national language and literature.
"J. Devlin-Boss: A Romance of American Politics," by Francis Churchill Williams, has just been published by the Lothrop company, Boston. The American politician is a distinct type, and his depiction in literature has engaged able pens from time to time. He has figured in fiction somewhat sparingly, however, and even there in a light unfavorable to him. In fact, but one serious effort has been made in the form of a novel to hold him up to commendation, and in that instance readers were asked to regard a figure so far superior to the average of his kind in thought and action as to be ideal rather than vital. The real politician is shown in Francis Churchill Williams' new romance, "J. Devlin-Boss." This is a story of the typical figure in the shaping of American life. "Jimmy"—the boss—shrewd, strong, resourceful, clean-hearted, is vital; and the double love story which is woven about him gives an absolutely true and near view of the American boss.
It seems odd, indeed, that in this advanced day there should be discovered a new beast—not the remains of a prehistoric animal, but a beast which is alive today in the African forests. McClure's September contains the first authentic account published in America of the discovery of the Old Harry H. Johnston, K. C. B., Special Commissioner for Uganda, British East Africa, found alive in the forests of Central Africa.

The World's Work for September contains the strikingly interesting story of one of the most notable achievements American industry has ever accomplished. How the famous Gokteik viaduct was built near Mandalay, of American-made material, according to an American estimate, by an American company, is told by J. C. Turk, who was the engineer in charge of the construction, and the article is finely illustrated by photographs taken in India by the author.
Cleveland Moffett, turning from the consideration of steeple-climbing, bridge-building, and other "careers of Danger and Daring," devotes an illustrated article in the September Century to an account of what he calls the Mid-Air Clubs of New York, which are used principally by business men as lunch rooms.
With the August issue "The National" will absorb the sprightly and wholesome magazine entitled "Good Cheer," edited by Nixon Waterman.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30.

ALBIA NOTES.

Mrs. M. T. Ward is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. E. Thomas of Mucha-knock, a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Martin are re-joining over the arrival of a baby boy at the home of Mrs. Martin's parents.

Mr. E. C. Martin was an over Sunday visitor in Albia.

The rally of the A. M. E. church held in the Court House Park Sunday was very successful. The Buxton choir was in attendance in the afternoon and morning. Rev. Greene of Hocking preached in the morning. Rev. Williamson of Buxton in the afternoon and in the evening Rev. ArSecy.

Mrs. Maggie Gordon of Hilton spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. Boman.

Mr. Earl Boman returned from his visit with his grandparent in Denver this week.

MUSCATINE NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Black of Washington, Ia., were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Gordon last week.

Mrs. Webb of Davenport is visiting Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Peter Tomley entertained at a six o'clock dinner Rev. and Mrs. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. N. Black, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davis last Friday.

Miss Nora Taylor of Galatin, Mo., arrived in the city last week to assist in the care of her uncle Joseph Carr.

Mr. Nelson Carr is quite sick at his home in Butterville.

Miss Emma Boyd arrived home after an extended visit to Cedar Rapids. Her many friends are pleased to see her return.

Miss Gertrude Lee gave a trolley party Monday evening for her friends. There were fifty invitations issued. The car was beautifully decorated with 200 yards of red, white and blue bunting, and colored electric jets; after two hours ride they repaired to the home of Mrs. Watson where the Pontella club served refreshments. An enjoyable time was spent by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greenway after a pleasant visit at the Greenway home left last week for Colorado. They were accompanied by Mrs. Wm. Greenway and son Lewis.

Mr. Joseph Carr is reported as being better.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Black and Mrs. Gordon spent Wednesday in Davenport.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS.

At her home on East Madison, Aug. 12, occurred the death of Mrs. Mary Burnaugh Carter, after an illness of only 12 days. Mrs. Carter was at church Sunday morning and evening Aug. 11, and took ill that night on her return home. Mary Ann Burnaugh was born near Portland, Callaway Co., Mo., 1841. She with her parents moved to Iowa in 1865, and during that year she embraced the Christian religion and lived a devoted and consistent Christian to the day of her death. She was married to Gustavus Carter June 23, 1872, and as a result of said union seven children born to them; four of whom with her husband survive her, and retain the sacred memory of a loving wife and affectionate mother. All of Mrs. Carter's children except her youngest son Elmer, were present at her death.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Burnaugh returned to Creston Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert Martin of Creston, who was here attending the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Carter has returned home.

Messrs. Will and Otto Carter of Ft. Madison came up last Saturday to attend the funeral of their aunt Mrs. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Martin and baby of Burlington spent Sunday in Mt. Pleasant with Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reed.

Miss Delphia Norris, who came here to spend two or three weeks, has become so charmed with the city and the hospitality of its people that she will not return to Des Moines until Xmas.

Mr. Chas. Brooks of Keokuk was up last week distributing Labor Day bills.

Mesdames Henderson, Tansil, Robert Anderson, Emerson, Jones and Chas. Fitzgeralds entertained at 6 and 1 o'clock dinners last Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in honor of Mesdames Bowmer and Strathers of Des Moines.

A few young ladies and gentlemen, and some children were entertained Friday night at the Mason home in honor of Mr. G. H. Mason and Miss Ethel Bomer.

Messrs. L. J. Mason of Chicago and W. T. Mason of Evanston, Ill., came over last Friday to attend the family reunion. It was 10 years in June since all the family were together. Saturday the seven brothers and sisters their parents and the only grand-child Ethel Bowmer, had their pictures taken in a group.

Sunday night W. T. and L. J. Mason returned to Chicago and Monday morning Mrs. D. M. Bowmer and daughter

and G. H. Mason returned to Des Moines.

Mrs. George Strothers, who has been visiting Mt. Pleasant friends returned to Des Moines Monday with her daughter-in-law Mrs. Bowmer.

Mr. Logan Brooks, who has been working in Mt. Pleasant since spring returned to Keokuk last week with his father.

Mr. Robert O'Kelley has applied for a divorce.

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8:30 pm Chicago Limited 7:30 pm
4:30 pm Day Express & Mail 4:45 pm
11:15 pm Night Limited 11:01 pm
10:31 pm Day Express 12:45 pm
9:10 pm Hawkeye Limited 7:00 am

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8:30 am Deater Limited 7:35 am
9:30 am Night Limited Express 6:40 am
4:00 pm Day Express 4:15 pm
3:55 pm Rocky Mountain Limited 4:00 am
11:40 am Fast Mail 11:40 am

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

11:30 am Eldon 6:55 pm
3:50 pm Keokuk 7:10 am
DES MOINES & FORT DODGE.

5:50 pm Ruthven Mail & Express 12:10 pm
10:40 am Tars and Fort Dodge 4:45 pm
5:15 pm Minn. and St. Louis 7:00 pm
6:40 am St. Paul and Minn. Flyer 8:30 am

WINTERSET BRANCH.

11:30 am Mail 4:40 pm
8:50 pm Express 7:20 am
6:40 pm Freight 8:45 am
CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN-NORTH

8:15 pm Chicago and St. Paul Lim. 7:30 pm
11:30 am Chicago and St. Paul Ex. 8:30 am
9:55 am Twin Cities Special 9:30 am
CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN-SOUTH

6:50 am Kansas City Limited 7:00 am
11:30 am Day Express 12:41 am
7:50 pm Night Express 8:45 pm
CHICAGO BURLINGTON & QUINCY

12:15 pm Albia and Burlington Pass. 7:15 pm
5:40 pm Albia Passenger 8:00 am
7:00 pm Albia Accommodation 5:45 am
KEOKUK & WESTERN

PASSENGER TRAINS LEAVE Q. STATION.

10:35 am Mail and Express 12:40 pm
5:50 pm Mail and Express 8:25 am
CHICAGO & NORTH WESTERN

6:15 pm Sioux City, N. & W. 9:10 am
1:15 pm Colorado Special 11:40 pm
4:40 am Chicago Limited 9:30 pm
4:50 am Dakota Limited 13:30 am
4:30 pm Chicago Express 7:00 am

7:30 pm Chicago Special 11:05 am
7:20 pm Omaha Express 9:10 am
7:30 pm Chicago Express 4:40 pm
10:50 am Omaha & Pa. Express 7:00 am

WABASH RAILWAY

8:15 am St. Louis Passenger 16:45 pm
9:15 pm St. Louis Eastern Ex. 14:30 am
C. M. and St. P.—Fonda Line.

7:30 pm Storm Lake Express 4:05 pm
1:00 pm Fonda & Sioux City Lim. 9:05 am
C. M. & ST. P.—BOONE LINE

1:25 pm Boone Mail and Express 3:40 pm
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Ingenuity.

The following ingenious mode of crossing a river was once displayed by a kaffir, who had for some time stood watching the vain attempts of a party of soldiers to cross the stream at a time when to ford it was attended by considerable danger. After smiling at their efforts with that sardonic expression remarkable among these savages, he quietly raised a heavy stone, placed it on his head and then walked, with perfect ease, through the torrent to the opposite side.

Sober Second Thought.

Tom—"Was it hard to tell Miss Autumnal you loved her?"

Jack—"Not half so hard as it was to explain matters after I got sober."—Chicago News.

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A MINISTER'S GOOD WORK.

I had a severe attack of bilious colic, got a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, took two doses and was entirely cured," says Rev. A. A. Power, of Emporia, Kan. "My neighbor across the street was sick for over a week, had two or four days of medicine from the without relief, then called in another doctor who treated him for some days and gave him no relief, so discharged him. I went over to see him the next morning. He said his bowels were in a terrible fix, that they had been running off so long that it was almost bloody flux. I asked him if he had tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and he said, 'No.' I went home and brought him my bottle and gave him one dose; told him to take another dose in fifteen or twenty minutes if he did not find relief, but he took no more and was entirely cured." For sale by all Drug-gists.

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.

Sweetmeats for Wives.
At the "stag dinner" of the Fish-mongers' company in London each man gets a casket of sweetmeats to carry home to his wife. And the outside caskets make neat workbaskets.

Cloud Stood, Report Was Tasted, Etc.
An extract in style from the modern novel: "This cloud that tried to stand in the way of their youthful joy was only a false report whose bitter taste could not splinter the radiance of their happiness."

Typhoid Killing British Soldiers.
During the first three months of this year there were, among the British troops in South Africa, 6,258 cases of typhoid fever, 1,060 of which proved fatal.

Professional Beggar Leaves Fortune.
A professional beggar of Budapest, who died recently, had amassed the very comfortable sum of £42,000. This he bequeathed to the University of Pressburg, where he had made much money in his early days by swindling.

Farmers as Motormen.
Nearly all the motormen employed on the new trolley lines in Buffalo are young Canadian farmers. The railway officials say they are the most satisfactory of all their employees.

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 stowed 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 clothes 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

EARLY STRAWS OF FASHION.

The drooping hats will be much seen in the spring.
Tucks will be very much in evidence the coming spring and summer.
Mixed cloths are very much seen—that is to say, black with a liberal peppering of white, gray with white, and pastel blue.
Gowns are made long on the shoulder, yokes and collarettes are run down long on the shoulders, or the shoulders are trimmed.
Cashmeres will be popular the coming spring, and all the women at Nice and Monte Carlo are wearing the light pastel shades in cloth and the pale pinks, blues and beiges, as usual.

It is really too early to tell whether the furore for gold will run over into another season. We must wait and see if we feel gold when the summer days come. Cravats are seen on the new cloth gowns.

For slender women nothing can be prettier for the spring than the boleros with basque backs, consisting of three little pieces on each side, one over the other and rounded at the ends. Above these pieces is a belt.—Katharine de Forest's Paris Letter in Ladies' Home Journal.

Britains Degenerating Physically.
According to Arnold White, an English critic, the inhabitants of the British Isles are degenerating physically. He bases his conclusions on the results of recruiting for the Boer war. In the Manchester district alone 8,000 out of 11,000 men who offered themselves for military service were certified unfit to endure a soldier's life.

Sultan Doctors Himself.

The Sultan of Turkey is devoted to the study of chemistry and has given a good deal of time to the study of medicine, a study which he first took up because of fears that his life was in danger from poison. He now doctors his own ailments so long as they are not of a serious nature.

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