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CITY NEWS.

Mrs. John Walker is quite sick this week.

Mrs. Viola Hall returned to Burton after two weeks visit with her father.

John Early is sick at his residence 1019 B street, but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Elsie Curtley Early was called home Wednesday from Aina, Ohio on account of the illness of her father.

On page 2 will be found an article written by Mr. Brown on congressional situation.

J. H. Rogers, who is an employee of the Great Western Ry., is now enjoying his vacation in our city.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwards entertained a few of their friends last Wednesday night.

Harry Franklin cornet soloist of the Buxton concert band was an over Sunday visitor in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LaCour will give a party to-night a large number of their friends have been invited.

Mrs. Mahala Williams is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Straughter, 123 East Grand avenue.

Mrs. Helen Bradley has been spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. H. Gould while enroute to her home at Battle Creek, Mich.

The Athenian Literary Society will give a musical entertainment next Tuesday February 23, at the First African Baptist church at school and B streets. A grand time is anticipated and all are invited to attend.

The masquerade dancing party that was given at the Armory Hall last Monday by Mt. Olive Court number 4 was well attended and they secured a larger orchestra the music would have been more enchanting for those dancing.

When in Chariton, Ia., stop with Mrs. M. A. Shelton for good rooms and meals, two and half blocks south of the depot, across from the foundry.

Rev. O. O. Smith of Grinnell, Iowa will preach at the Union Congregational church on Tenth and Park streets Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock prompt. All invited, as Reverend Smith is a very able minister.

The colored speakers for Judge S. F. Prouty are R. N. Hyde, J. L. Thompson, Ed. McKee, Geo. Barringer, J. R. Rush, S. Joe Brown, J. H. Rogers, J. Robinson and W. H. Hubbard. Those for Congressman Hull are Henry McCraves, Rev. O. A. Johnson, C. B. Woods, W. L. Tomlin and H. R. Wright.

Mrs. H. E. Jacobs who has been visiting relatives and friends in Kansas City and Richmond, Mo., since last October, arrived home Wednesday evening much improved in health and looking well. Of course it goes without saying her husband is all smiles. Mrs. Jacobs likes Missouri and the many pleasant friends she met.

The Olive Branch Whist club was entertained at the home of Mrs. E. M. Harrison, 3704 Capitol avenue, last Wednesday evening; lunch was served and all had a nice time. The club will be entertained by Mr. J. H. Lewis at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Morton, 1177 Eleventh street, February 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Banks gave a six o'clock dinner, in honor of Mr. Joe LaCour who is in the city for a short time visiting his family, Sergeant Welch, Miss Ollie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ruff, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hudlin, and Mrs. Joe LaCour. The table was nicely decorated and a very elaborate dinner was served. Later in the evening, from 8 to 11 o'clock, they entertained the Monday Night club. A great many members were present. After luncheon was served the club adjourned. Everybody went home feeling that they had enjoyed a pleasant evening with the host and hostess.

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EDITORIALS.

The IOWA STATE BYSTANDER is a republican journal representing the broad principles of the republican party as taught by James G. Blaine, James A. Garfield, Wm. McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt and our splendid Governor Albert B. Cummins. Its columns are always free for the honest discussion of republican principles and the relative merits of the different candidates who may seek the nomination of the republican party. The BYSTANDER is not guilty, and we hope will never be guilty of closing its columns to good honest men who may have an opinion to advance. Therefore, in this Prouty-Hull contest, which is only local, yet neither side will be denied a hearing; although the editor may have an opinion which we hope that the indulgent public will grant him the same right to express his opinion, if he honestly and sincerely believe it to be right.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

Next Monday our nation will unite in celebrating the natal day of the father of our country, George Washington. In Washington we find the good, the noble, the true and the honest manhood that characterize the highest type of American citizenship. In him, the little weak string of a new government was woven into a strong fabric indissoluble union of states. The service that Geo. Washington was to his country is so well recorded in the early history that all civilized people know the early struggles, trials and hardships that Washington and his little band of continentals suffered for the perpetuation of the union and freedom from British tyranny, was great and their deeds and heroic acts should always be remembered. Geo. Washington started and Abraham Lincoln completed the cardinal principles of the declaration of independence, "that all men are created free and equal, and endowed with certain inalienable rights." Washington was first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen. Honor to his memory.

MARK HANNA.

This week our nation is wraped in sorrow and mourning over the death of one of her distinguished sons, Marcus A. Hanna, United States Senator from Ohio, who died last Monday evening in his temporary residence in Washington, D. C., of typhoid fever. But few men in America has risen so rapidly in the public mind and received the honest and utmost confidence, as has the noted Senator. Before the late President McKinley was first nominated Mr. Hanna had not been in politics, consequently was not known outside of his own city, and then only in a financial and business way, perhaps through the deep love and appreciation that he had for McKinley that he was induced to take charge of managing McKinley's nomination and later as chairman of the National Committee. From that time on he became a national figure and was a successful manager of the party. He was successful in the business world—one of the wealthy men—also successful in his last few years as a politician. He was loved by organized labor and was a great factor in settling labor difficulties, and was a strong, and perhaps logical successor of President Roosevelt to the presidency of the United States. Yet, now we deeply deplore and extend our sympathy to the bereaved family for such a loss at this time.

The Afro-American Advocate, a new colored journal published in Minneapolis, made its appearance into our sanctum this week. It is a six column folio, well filled with news items and advertise-

ments which adds to its appearance. Mr. Rufus DeLeo is the general manager and James L. Curtis editor. We have been wandering what has become of the North-Western-Vine of the same city. (?) However we wish you success Mr. Curtis, for we know all is not sunshine in the journalistic sea.

HULL VS. PROUTY.

Some Facts By the Editor.

Within less than ten days the republican voters will be called upon to name the next congressman to succeed Captain Hull. Men will try to sway the colored voters. There are only two candidates thus far, Judge S. F. Prouty and Captain J. A. T. Hull. Now, colored voters, look well, be conservative, study the history and record of each candidate, use your own mind and best judgment of who you think the best qualified man and then the man who will give our race justice and do the most good for our people. Now, the facts as we see them are simply these: Congressman Hull has been in office for the past 32 years and we know his record while the other man has not been in office and therefore we have no opportunity to know what he would do. Now let us examine honestly and diligently the history of Captain Hull's record as regards his own colored constituents. First he has held office 32 years and has only appointed one colored man from this district. Think of it. Thirty-two years and only one, although others have applied. When the Spanish-American war came our colored boys thought they would organize a colored company and go to Cuba and 115 men signed their names to go. Elected officers and sent them in to Captain Hull. He wrote back the department would not accept colored captain and we would have to elect some white man. We refused, a few days later that rule was broken and colored officers were accepted from Indiana. Then we wired Captain Hull again. He answered saying that we could have colored captain. We again elected the same officer. The next day he changed his mind and ordered the white man to defend our race. When some of our local colored people called on him in our city to go to a mass meeting of the colored people to condemn the lynchings, murderings, burnings and the disfranchisement of our race in the south and asked him to attend this meeting and speak he said in substance that there was other more important business for America than this and the colored people ought to do something for themselves. These and many other things we can tell will convince the average friend of the colored race public policy would compel him to vote for our race as does many other men in congress. Now, dear voter, Judge Prouty has never been tried. He surely cannot if elected to congress do less than the captain has done. While a judge on the bench he was at all times friendly to the colored men brought before him and always give him justice. Judge Prouty has come up through life as a poor boy struggling for a living and therefore in view of all these facts let us give him a trial. Not 32 years but only a few years if he proves false we will turn our support against him.

WHY IS A NEWSPAPER LIKE A WOMAN.

One bright friend came in the other day with what he thought was a conundrum. "Why is a newspaper like a woman?" The various answers were: "Because both have to be known to be appreciated." "Because it has to have some one to run it." "Because both are good advertising mediums." "Because both have to be pressed." "Because it sometimes changes its dress and tells tales." The correct answer is: "Because every man should have one of his own and not be running around after his neighbors."—Asher Alturist.

ALBIA NEWS.

Rev. James Wharton of Clarinda was in Albion Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Mrs. Susie Soddy has been quite ill for the past few weeks. John Mines is very sick and has been for several weeks. Revival meetings have been going on at the A. M. E. church. Mr. Jeffers of Gladstone is visiting his brother near Albion the past week. Quite a few people are attending the Humbell case in town this week. The young people gave a dance at the Old Fellow's Hall Saturday evening. There has been quite a few strangers in town the past week. Mrs. Anna Davis entertained Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Davis and Miss Bessie Davis at dinner Sunday. Mrs. Harrison Gould is contemplating a visit to Omaha in the near future.

DEFENDS CAPT. HULL.

SPECIAL TO BYSTANDER.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10, 1904. Mr. Editor of Bystander: Judging from what I hear of the situation in Polk county, I fear that the splendid representation given and the honest, earnest, hard work done by the congressman from Iowa's Seventh district is not fully appreciated by a certain contingent in Des Moines, where, more than any other place, it should be. I am sure that if they realized or put any value whatever on the magnificent work done by him, more especially in the 56th and 57th congresses, there would surely exist a far different feeling, for not a citizen of Polk should have to ask what he has done. I will challenge any man to show where any other representative in congress has done as much for his district as J. A. T. Hull has done for his. It is but a few days ago since I heard a congressman say: "If I could get for my district what Hull has gotten for his I could stay here as long as I live and no one would question my right to do so." So, you see, most districts having a representative that can and will secure all that is possible for his district is appreciated, but there are very few who can secure anything. Only the long poles get these persimmons and new members are not strong enough to carry such poles.

I am surprised to learn that there is one colored voter who is among the unappreciative, after what Mr. Hull has done for our race. What can they possibly expect from a new man? The Bystander made a most ungrateful, unjust stab in its issue of January 29, when it tried to make them believe there was no money in the United States treasury belonging to the old colored soldier and his heirs. There are many hundreds of thousands of dollars there. Mr. Hull did introduce that bill, had it before his committee and then submitted this question to the colored people: "What is best to do with the money?" Instead of their coming to some agreement, they have done nothing but quarrel and have never yet made one suggestion as to what would be the better use to make of it. The people of the district of Columbia got together and asked that the money be given them for the building of a home for the aged and infirm colored people. A bill was introduced, was referred to Mr. Hull's committee and he made a favorable report, but congress could not seem to see how the greater number could be benefited by a home in the district and these thousands still remain in the vaults of the treasury.

The Bystander publishes another very unfriendly and misleading statement in its issue of February 5th. It would have the colored voters believe that Captain Hull favored disfranchisement, mob violence and anarchy as it exists in the south. I will say to the writer—consult the Georgia delegation as to how Captain Hull defended the floor of the house against the colored men brought before him and always give him justice. Didn't he have Gilmer (colored) made a lieutenant in the regular army against all kinds of opposition? There are also questions asked in the same paper. Go a little farther: Is not soup for the goose sauce for the gander? There is no objection to asking Captain Hull these questions, but why not put Prouty on record, too? I ask the colored voter to be very sure that he has cause to discard their tried and true friend, Captain Hull, whom they have never found wanting, before they take up with an unknown quantity. Very truly, T. E. Barton, 38 O St. N. W.

FOR CONSTABLE.

Mr. B. A. Bean who has announced his name as a candidate for constable of Des Moines township was born in 1864, came to Des Moines in 1892; served nearly three years as humane and police officer of Des Moines. He has always been an active republican worker, and while he was city officer it must be said to Bean's credit that he treated the colored people with the utmost courtesy and respect, and thereby made many friends among them. His many friends are working hard for his election.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Mr. B. F. Coffin, the present incumbent in the county clerk's office is now asking his re nomination for his second term. Mr. Coffin has made one of the best county officials, always trying to do what he thought best to advance the office with the least possible expense. In fact the official reports show that he has been more economical than his predecessors. He is a young man, popular with the people, kind and courteous to all. As he is only asking for his second term we hope that he will have no opposition and be nominated unanimously and elected by an increased majority.

DAILEY FOR CONSTABLE.

Our friend John Dailey, constable from Lee Township of East Des Moines is a candidate for re-nomination for his second term, which is generally conceded according to precedence. Mr. Dailey has made a good officer; brave, fearless and doing his duty—manfully his enemies tried to down him, but they did not succeed, and now his many active friends are working hard for his nomination. He has lived in our city many years, and if nominated will be the better able to do even more for Lee Township. John has and will treat our race as courteous as he does any one else.

Mr. Lew Burnett who has announced his candidacy for county auditor, is one of our leading active young republicans who was born in 1861, came to Iowa in 1870 where he was educated in the common schools and graduated from Des Moines high school in 1879. He then went into the grocery business till 1897, when he was appointed deputy auditor under John McQuiston, and has been in that office ever since. The present incumbent, Mr. Cope made him his deputy. Mr. Burnett has never held or asked before any elective office, therefore his many friends are working hard for his nomination. He merits your support.

KINGMAN FOR CONSTABLE.

Mr. Charles Kingman, one of the

present constables of Des Moines township, is a candidate for his second term. Charley has made a good constable, as he has been very punctual and successful. He is a Polk county boy, born in 1857, and has lived here nearly all his life, and he and his brothers have always been good republicans. He never asked or held any office before, and his friends think he is entitled to his second term.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Allen's Day will be observed at the A. M. E. church Sunday Feb. 21.

The Silver Leaf club will meet with Mrs. Lucinda Smith on G. street on Tuesday evening.

The Willing Worker's club will meet with Mrs. Margaret Thompson Thursday evening.

The young men's meeting meeting was held Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Mr. C. E. Stubbins addressed the meeting his subject was "Morality."

Master Fred Baker son of Mrs. Anna Baker is ill with the grip at his sister's home Mrs. Mattie Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of Norfolk, Neb., cousins of Mrs. Frankie Young passed through our city on their way to Sioux Falls, S. D. where they will reside in the future.

The Opposum supper which was given by the Willing Workers last Sunday evening at Socialist Hall was largely attended it was a grand success both socially and financially.

Mrs. Judy Anna Askew one of our aged citizens is quite ill from the effects of a fall she received a few weeks ago by slipping on some ice.

Mr. Williams and family of Omaha, Neb. have come to our city to reside, he is a carpenter by trade and will follow his vocation. We are more than glad to welcome them in our midst.

The pastor of the A. M. E. church went to Yankton, S. D. Saturday to assist Rev. Joyning of that place in his quarterly meeting which was held Sunday Feb. 14.

The young men have formed themselves into a permanent club and the following officers have been elected: Harry Jewell, President; William Gordon, Secretary; Chas. Williams, Treasurer.

The New South Jubilee singers gave a concert to a large and appreciative audience Monday evening at the Y. M. C. A.

The sewing circle of the Mt. Zion church will meet with Mrs. L. Smith Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Bradley who resides on Dace St. is quite ill with pneumonia.

The ladies' art club met with Mrs. Nina Williams Friday afternoon.

Sunday was St. Valentine's day and cupid held back until Monday to scatter his love abroad, to those who were fondly waiting.

John Shores returned home last Monday from Clarinda where he has been visiting his sister Miss Douglass for two weeks, he reports a very pleasant time.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church will have baptizing at the Y. M. C. A. building on Sunday Feb. 21. It will take place at 12 o'clock.

CLINTON ITEMS.

John Sharp of Buxton a representative of the Buxton Eagle was in the city last week. He was the guest of Rev. Speece, while here he met a number of the business and professional men who took an interest in his enterprise that a number gave him subscriptions. Rev. Speece has taken the agency for the Eagle in this city.

A large and appreciative audience gathered at the A. M. E. church last Friday night and listened to a very pleasing concert programme provided by local talent. The result was quite flattering financially considering the number of entertainments which was going on on that evening. The trustees are elated with these success.

A valentine social is scheduled for Wednesday night of this week under the auspices of the social committee of Bethel church.

Those on the sick list are better. Allen Day was not observed as fully as desired owing to a number of the persons being absent at the appointed time who were on the programme. Some very pleasing remarks were made by Rev. Speece and a nicely arranged paper on good literary was read by Mrs. Stewart.

A large number attended the chilling supper at the 2nd Baptist church last Wednesday evening.

The debate which was set for the 22d is postponed indefinitely.

FORT MADISON NOTES.

(Last Week.)

The funeral of the late Benj. Davis who died Sunday Feb. 7 was held from the Second Baptist church at 2:00 P. M. Tuesday the 9th. Rev. D. A. Holmes officiating.

Mrs. Geo. Yeiser visited in New Boston last week.

Those on the sick list are Meedames James Thomas Henry Blade and Messrs Edward McKane and Calvin Shafer.

Mrs. Ella Holmes of Moline and Mr. Carl Davis of Davenport came to attend the funeral of their father the late Benj. Davis.

Miss Addie and Rose Dandridge who have been visiting in the city returned to their home in Keokuk.

L. Todd of LaGrange is in the city called here by the serious illness of his sister Mrs. J. M. Thomas.

The valentine social at the A. M. E. church Monday was a success.

Mrs. Betty Hardin of Keokuk was in the city Tuesday.

Helen the infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Goodwin is seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia.

Mrs. Price of Canton, Mo. is in the city she came to attend her daughter Mrs. Henry Blades who is ill.

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