

A COMMUNISTIC COLONY.

INCREASING PROSPERITY OF SETTLEMENT AT AMANA, IOWA.

Established Many Years Ago, This Community Remains One of the Few Out of Many to Succeed.

New York Evening Post.

The days of Economy are numbered, but the Society of the Inspirationalists at Amana, Ia., appears still to have before it many years of prosperity and growing membership.

The Amana community owns some 8,000 acres of rich bottom lands along the Iowa river, a short hour's ride by rail from Cedar Rapids, and its picturesque villages—there are seven of them—crow the low slopes two or three miles distant from each other.

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Farming is, of course, the chief industry of the Inspirationalists, and, as in the case of another sect of their success—these also conduct woolen mills, grist mills, calico print works, hosiery mills, soap factories, and book binding establishments.

At the head of "The Community of True Inspirationalists," as the society is officially known, and exercising general supervision over its affairs, is a board of thirteen trustees, chosen once a year by ballot.

Each family, or adult member of the society, credit corresponding to their wants at the village store, against which they are permitted to make purchases.

Meals are taken in what are called "the kitchens," where the males and females eat at separate tables. There are sixteen kitchens in Amana, 520 in all.

Indeed, the quiet, regular, peaceful life of comfort and plenty led at Amana has so strong an attraction for the young people raised there that a few leave when they reach maturity, and those who do so, as a rule, return in a short time.

RELIGION IN THE ORIENT.

An Indiana Traveler Tells of the Progress of Mission Work.

Consequence of the Indianapolis Journal.

CYLON, Jan. 15.—It is worth remarking that all existing religions had their birth in Asia, and that our Christian religion has, at the end of the nineteenth century, only a nominal foothold in the land of its nativity.

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VAN BUREN IN INDIANA.

Hon. M. L. Bundy's Call on Him at the Hon. M. L. Knightstown in 1843.

There are still a few living who took an active part in the political campaign of 1840 between the elder Harrison, familiarly called "Old Tippecanoe," because of the battle he fought with the Indians while Governor of Indiana Territory in 1811 on the river that bears his name, and Martin Van Buren, for whom the Whigs had an assortment of names, such as "The Little Magician," because of his "trick" manipulating the conventions of his party.

General Jackson's term expired on the 4th of March, 1837, and Van Buren had been elected to succeed him, as the Whigs charged, through the influence of Jackson and on his sole nomination, and when Van Buren became a candidate for a second term to succeed himself in 1840, the Whigs put up against him the old pioneer, who, as a young man, had first distinguished himself in General Wayne's battle with the Indians in 1794, and afterward served as Governor of Indiana Territory for twelve years, and after a political campaign the like of which was never before or since witnessed in this country, succeeded in electing "Old Tip."

Van Buren, of course, as well as his friends, felt that he should have a second term, and in 1843, the year after Clay was elected to the presidency, he came to Indiana for a like purpose, and traveled the same road that his illustrious predecessor passed over, though he chose the spring of the year, when the road was at its worst, and traveled in the mud wagon which conveyed the mails. I learned that the President, who was on his way to Indianapolis and St. Louis, would stop over for a day at Knightstown and receive those who chose to call on him. As it was rare in those days for an ex-President to visit the wild West, I concluded to avail myself of the opportunity to see the distinguished gentleman who for four years had occupied the White House, and the late Judge Mellette, having concluded to go with me, we mounted our horses and reached the hotel where Van Buren was stopping in the forenoon.

The late Elisha Scovill, a distinguished local Democratic politician of that day, seemed to be master of ceremonies, and had Van Buren, who was a small man, but handsome and well proportioned, standing on a box in the hotel office, and the people, who had collected, were on the sidewalk looking through the window at him. My companion and I were well known to Mr. Scovill, and when we walked up he introduced us and we were cordially welcomed, but the people outside seemed reluctant to come in, whereupon Mr. Scovill, in a loud voice, exclaimed, "Come in and shake hands with Mr. Van Buren; he won't bite." This caused a laugh, which he appeared to enjoy as well as others.

What transpired when he reached Indianapolis or St. Louis I do not know, but all his labor and exposure were in vain. It was expected by everybody that Clay would be elected to the presidency in 1840, but Van Buren could get a united vote of the Northern delegates, a majority of the convention, he could not get the support of the South, which distrusted his fidelity to his peculiar institution, and Polk was nominated. This changed all previous calculations, and it became Clay and Polk.

There was no trouble in the convention which nominated Clay, and the Whigs were enthusiastic for him, but, as I have already explained, he made his election impossible by his speech at Richmond, and boldly bringing one of his slaves with him into this free State as a servant. He could have secured any number of free white servants here, but it looked as if he wished to defy anti-slavery sentiment. By this he lost his lifetime desire and disappointed his friends. No public man in America ever had such devoted admirers, but they could not make up by enthusiasm what they lacked in numbers. M. L. BUNDY, New Castle, Ind., Feb. 23.

A WAR DICTIONARY.

Words You See Daily in the Telegrams and What They Mean.

London Mail. The following list will be found useful to readers of the war news. The pronunciation of the more difficult words is given: Appies river (Apies)—Runs through Pretoria into the Limpopo.

Afrikaner—A white man born in South Africa of European stock. Berg—A mountain. Bethulie (Beth-oh)—Town in the Orange Free State.

Biltong—Boer provender. Dried meat. Boer—A peasant. Burgher—Males over sixteen years old possessing the franchise of the native land.

Commando—A body of Boers. Commander—To mobilize to requisition. Dismal—Pole of an ox wagon. Donga—A water hole or deep ditch. Dop—Boer brandy.

Dopper—The Puritanical Lutheran Boer. Dorp—A village. Driest—A ford. Eishowe (Eish-ow)—Camp in Zululand; residence of commissioner. Field Cornet—A magistrate with certain military powers.

Fontein—A spring. Gaborone (Gah-bor-ones)—Very important native town, ninety miles north of Mafeking. Geldenhuys (Geld-en-hise)—Formerly member of the Volksraad for Johannesburg.

Griqualand West (Greeks-land)—District of Kimberly diamond mines. Kantoor (Kantoor)—Rocky mining valley near Barberton, in Transvaal.

HOUSEHOLD THOUGHTS.

Masculine Curiosity Aroused by Personal of a "Woman's Page."

New York Commercial Advertiser.

Who writes those columns of home hints, feminine fancies, kitchen talks and woman from day to day which appear once or twice a week in most of our papers? The thing needs looking into. There are signs that these matters have latterly fallen into the hands of reckless and unscrupulous persons.

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Japanese Habutai Black Silks Wash Silk In... Brief The newest creation in colors and designs, checks, stripes and plaids, also plain white in corded and tucked effects, about 100 pieces in the lot and the patterns in the collection are controlled exclusively by us. Mon- 49c day morning they are a yard..... 85c

OUR SEMI-ANNUAL Exhibition of Oriental Rugs, Draperies and Bric-a-Brac Will take place to-morrow in our Rug Room, Third Floor. This is a collection of master works from the Orient, consisting of rugs, carpets, hangings, vases, arms, bronzes, etc., that should appeal to every lover of the beautiful in Oriental art and is without a doubt the finest collection we have ever had the pleasure of offering to you and we hope to see you at the exhibition to-morrow. As is usual these goods will be sold at auction commencing Feb. 27 and lasting four days. Mr. C. H. Luengene, the well-known New York art auctioneer, will be in charge.—Rug Room, Third Floor.

Embroideries! Embroideries! "Better Than Ever and Still the Best" The greatest offer and display of beauty and daintiness and design ever shown in the city. Just arrived a belated case from our importation of matched sets. Cambric jaquet and Swiss embroidery in nice open patterns, extra value, a yard..... 10c Good quality cambric and jaquet embroidery worth up to 3c a yard, your choice..... 20c An extra good line, value the best, in insertions in Swiss cambric and jaquet in a great variety of patterns, a yard..... 10c A good assortment of match sets, dainty baby sets, open work, nain-sook and cambric, exclusive patterns and beautiful designs in swiss sets, prices from 15c to \$2.50 a yard. All the newest ideas in all-overs, lace stripes, tucks and open work, effects in swiss, nain-sook and cambric, also Nottingham all-overs in prices ranging from 59c to \$4.50 a yard.—Center Aisle

New Tailor Made Suits We will open the season with two suits at special prices, on Monday, \$10 Suits for..... \$7.49 \$20 Suits for..... \$15.49 These are new suits, made with the Eaton fly-front and light-fitting jacket, and with new box-pleated, inverted plaid skirt, in black and color. Other Spring Suits \$10 to \$75.—Second Floor.

Fine Fur Muffs and Scarfs Reduced If you think you will need a Muff or Scarf next winter it would be wise to buy one now at these prices: Black Marten Scarfs, 8 tails, worth \$2.00, for..... \$1.50 Blended Marten Scarfs, 8 tails, worth \$3.00, for..... \$2.00 Alaska Sable Scarfs, 8 tails, worth \$3.00, for..... \$2.50 Alaska Sable Muffs, worth \$2.50, for..... \$2.00.—Second Floor.

Men's Wear Men's Unlaundered Colored Percalé Shirts, with one pair cuffs to match, made perfect and guaranteed to fit. The same for \$1.25; here for..... 60c Men's Muslin Night Shirts, fancy-trimmed fronts, with neck buttons, 10 1/2 inches long and good width, worth 75c; special..... 49c Men's fancy Little Thread Half Hose, with double heels and toes, some black with colored stripes; others cadet blue, white, black, red or white stripes, cheap at 15c; to-morrow, a pair..... 12c.—East Aisle.

Undermossins 10 dozen Muslin Gowns, Hubbard style, tucked yoke, ruffled neck and sleeves, to-morrow for..... 20c 5 dozen Muslin Skirts extra wide, knee flounce, deep hem and tuck, at..... 50c Muslin Chemise, embroidery and lace-trimmed, for..... 29c 10 dozen good Muslin Drawers, 29c cambric flounce, both tucked and hemstitched, for..... 29c Corset Covers, embroidery and lace-trimmed, 15c to..... \$1.50 Another lot of the celebrated Merritt's Luster Wool Skirts, in Black, Gray and Tan, worth \$2 and \$3 for \$1 and..... \$1.39.—Second Floor.

Linens Lot of manufacturers' seconds of Terry Cloth Wash Rags at 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c. 100 odd 1/2-dozen lots of Napkins, regular value 65c; now..... 42c Hemmed Huck Towels, Bleached and finished, 12c quality..... 12c Bargain in All-India Hemmed Huck Towels, 2c quality..... 15c 100 dozen 1/2 Bleached Napkins, 12c quality..... \$1.25 62-inch All-India Bleached Table Damask 5c quality..... 39c 66-inch All-India Bleached Table Damask, a yard..... \$1.25.—Basement.

Colored Dress Goods New styles for the spring. 46-inch Sun-dot Henrietta, for Shirt Waists, in good variety of colors..... \$1.25 New All-wool and Silk and Wool Checks, 46-inch, in light and dark colors, including the Peruvian and the Scotch, for..... 49c 48-inch All-wool Vigoreux Suitings, in ten new spring colorings..... 75c 46-inch All-wool Camels-hair Plaids, 46-inch, a yard..... \$1.00.—West Aisle.

THE NEW YORK STORE ESTABLISHED 1853. Sole Agents for Butterick Patterns. Indiana's Greatest Distributors of Dry Goods, Carpets, Furniture and Housefurnishings.

Knit Underwear Children's Merino Combination Suits, sizes 12 to 30, worth \$1 to \$1.50, special, while they last..... 39c Misses' Swiss-ribbed White Wool Vests and Pants, broken sizes, worth \$2 to-morrow, a garment..... 29c Ladies' Combed Egyptian, fleece-lined Jersey-ribbed Union Suits at a garment..... 49c.—East Aisle.

Hosiery Ladies' Hermsdorf Black, full regular made Cotton Hose, with high-spliced heels and double toe patch, pair..... 19c Boys' Rough Rider Past Black Cotton Hose, with high-spliced heels and double toe patch, pair..... 25c Ladies' Swiss Black Seamless Hose, with high-spliced heels and double toe patch, pair..... 9c.—East Aisle.

The New Wash Goods 22-inch Battiste, in patterns of light and dark grounds, with figures, stripes and dots, a yard..... 12c Lawn in corded stripes, light grounds, with figures, a yard..... 15c Dotted Swiss Mull, in light grounds, with colored figures and stripes, a yard..... 15c 200 patterns of Dimities, in light and dark grounds, with every design, a yard..... 15c Fine French Dimity, equal almost in texture to the fine imported Irish Dimity, in black, red or white stripes, cheap at 15c; to-morrow, domestic goods..... 20c.—West Aisle.

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Notions An extra quality Velvetten Binding 1 1/2 inches wide, in black and colors, a yard..... 5c All sizes Kid Hair Curlers, for Monday, half price. 30c ones, 5c; 8c ones, 4c; 6c ones, 3c; 5c ones, 2 1/2c; 3c ones 1 1/2c.—West Aisle.

House Needs Extra heavy Tea Kettles, with copper rim and bottom, highly polished, each..... 50c 16 bars Hunt's New Wrinkle Soap, 25c each..... 25c Gold Dust..... 17c 1 pound Express high grade Japan Tea, really the quality you want..... 40c Fine 3 and 4-taper Parlor Brooms, worth 30c and 25c, for..... 25c Tea and Coffee Canisters, imported and nicely decorated, worth 2c, now..... 15c 12-1/2 White Broadcloth, 15c quality, for Dish Mops..... 3c Children's Lingerie, 2 for..... 10c Globe Crimp Washboard, the Indiana..... 15c Bliss's 1 1/2 guaranteed Popular Carpet Sweepers..... 95c 8-inch fine Palm-leaf Scrub Brush..... 5c Shoe Brush, with Dauber..... 9c Family Salt Box and Knife and Fork Box, the 2 for..... 18c Or, each..... 10c 3 sizes, really the best genuine Choice of Oak, Mahogany or White Enamel Towel Rings..... 15c.—New Basement.

Black Dress Fabrics Some new things in Silk Grenadines, corded ribbons, stripes, crinkly crepon stripes, plaids in ribbon and velvet effects sheer gowns with embroidered figures; prices \$2.50 to..... \$3.50 Crepe de Chine, with the new French Cheviote, prices \$1.75 Satin Raye Atlanta, all wool, 44 inches wide..... \$1.75 Poplin, with small figures, prices \$1.75 small as diamonds..... \$1.75 French Cheviote, prices \$1.75 The right cloth for tailor-made Suits, a yard, \$1.50 to..... \$4.00.—Center Aisle.

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