

**SURPRISED HIM  
PLAYING CARDS**

Rev. J. W. Potter Had a Birthday Anniversary Yesterday and Men of the Church Gave Him a Desk.

**HE GOT 84 POST CARDS**

Well Known Pastor Was Completely Surprised by a Score of Men Who Called at His Residence.

Rev. J. W. Potter, pastor of the Trinity M. E. church had a birthday anniversary yesterday and before he was over, he was the victim of a most agreeable surprise and one which made the day very pleasant to him and long to be remembered.

Some of the men of the church had arranged a surprise for the pastor and had purchased a handsome roll top desk with filing cabinets, which they took up to his house during the evening, about twenty men being in the party which stole quietly to the minister's house.

Peeping through the window to see if the pastor was at home, he discovered sitting in his study with a beautiful handful of cards before him on the table.

"Great Caesar, the minister is playing cards," said one of the members of the surprise party.

Others took a peep through the window and saw the well known pastor, handling over a bunch of cards. He was looking at them and smiling as though he enjoyed the game.

**Minister was Surprised.**

The conspirators burst into the room, carrying the big desk with them. The minister was surprised at the intrusion, but did not attempt to conceal the cards, instead, he took pride in being caught with the desk in his hand and showed them freely to his uninvited guests.

The cards happened to be souvenir cards which he had received from friends there being eighty-four of them which he got by mail in honor of

**Watching A Stomach Digest Food**

Was the Means Whereby Science Made Possible the Cure of Dyspepsia.

The Abbe Spallanzani was the first scientist to study systematically the chemical powers of the gastric juice, but it was by the careful and convincing experiments of Beaumont that the foundation of our exact knowledge of its composition and action was laid.

Beaumont was an army surgeon, located at an obscure military post in Michigan, while it was yet a territory, and was called upon to treat a gun shot wound of the stomach in a Canadian voyageur—Alexis St. Martin. When the wound healed a permanent opening was left by means of which food could be placed in the stomach and gastric juice taken from it.

Beaumont made scientific experiments with his crude means and wrote a book, which today is recognized among the classics of physiology. Beaumont blazed the way for other scientists so that today medicine knows what the stomach does with food and what food does to the stomach.

Science also knows what the gastric juices are and how to make them best for the system.

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his birthday. It was a winning hand and the cards from eighty-four friends were as much of a source of pleasure to the pastor, as was the desk which was presented to him.

The desk was installed in the study and Albert Peterson made the presentation speech. Rev. Potter was quite taken by surprise but responded feelingly and expressed the greatest thanks for the gift. The evenings was spent socially and an enjoyable time was had by all.

**FINE MOTOR BOAT BUILDING**

One Being Built by a Dubuque Man Will No Doubt be the Finest of Its Kind.

One of the finest pleasure launches that was probably ever built on the Mississippi is spoken of in a Dubuque exchange. From description the boat will be a beauty:

The natest craft to disturb the waters of the Mississippi anywhere from the gulf of Mexico to the head waters of the big stream, and, in fact, the only one of its kind ever modeled, will arrive in Dubuque June 1.

It will be the property of Clair Ede, of the Edes Robe Tanning company, and will be used by him for pleasure purposes only. It will be the most expensive, modern craft ever received in Dubuque and will be the personification of everything that delights a lover of boating.

**All Comforts of Home.**

The boat, which is of especial and original design, will be what is known as a river cruiser and will be 58 feet long with a 10 1/2 foot beam. The double hull of a "V" type, will be made of 1 1/2 inch spruce with white oak framing. Twenty-eight inches of water will be sufficient for the cruiser to navigate in and at high or low water around it will be at all times serviceable. Two sets of forty-three horse power engines and twin screws will propel it and a high speed will be one of its characteristics.

**Cabin In Oak.**

The state rooms are located forward and under the deck house. Accommodations, at all times, will be provided for from ten to twelve persons and a carrying capacity of sixty persons is stipulated. The cabin will be done in oak and the cruiser will be electric lighted.

The hull is constructed on the compartment system, which insures absolute safety and protection in case of accident.

Mr. Ede has received a blue print of the craft which is now under course of construction at Oshkosh, Wis. The hull is already completed and on June 1 the cruiser will come into port here. The trip from Oshkosh will be up the Fox river and down the Wisconsin to the Mississippi.

The rear portion of the boat will be devoted to the library and music rooms and when its furnishings have been completed the cruiser will be the finest of fine and a veritable floating palace in itself.

**OLD LAND MARK BEING RAZED**

Old House Which is Probably Over Sixty Years Old is Being Torn Down at Eighth and Concert.

**BACK OF SYNAGOGUE**

Last Residents Lived in the Old House For Over Twenty-Three Years and House Has History.

Some of the old land marks of the city, which have stood many of them for almost three quarters of a century against the progress of time, are being torn down or destroyed by elements. Now and then one hears of an old tree, a house or some other object which has stood for many years in or near the city being taken down to permit the building of something new and more modern up on its site.

The latest of these old land marks to be torn down is the old frame house on North Eighth Street, just back of the Jewish Synagogue, black with age and becoming weather beaten and unfit any longer for habitation.

The last residents to live there were Mrs. A. M. Good and son G. M. Bundy who have resided in the house for over twenty-three years and have moved from the place since the lot was but recently purchased from the Bevering family by John Cameron, one of the city's young and progressive business men of the firm of James Cameron & Sons.

It is the intention of Mr. Cameron to erect a pretty home on the lot thus vacated and fronting on Concert street. The house is located in block 50 lot 6 and has stood in all probability for sixty-five years. One old citizen remembers it as an old residence when he came to this city fifty-two years ago.

On March 8th, 1859, the house passed into the hands of Chas. Beverungen (Bevering) and Frank Schenk. Schenk later selling the property to the former man and it has been in the Bevering family since. The old house probably has a history and was one of the first to be built when young Keokuk began to spread out and build up, was well under way in the early days of the city. Probably some old settler or Keokukian knows something of the history of the old house which would make interesting reading matter.

**ELDON HAS BAD SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC**

Stranger Visits City and Gives Disease to Number of Residents—School May Be Closed.

ELDON, Ia., March 19.—Eldon is in the midst of an epidemic of smallpox. Some three weeks ago a stranger came into the city and visited a number of places, including a pool hall. The proprietor soon took down with the disease. Other members of his family are now afflicted. Several other people in the city have caught the disease and there is a likelihood that the school may be closed. Strict quarantine is being maintained.

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When you see an article well advertised in the newspapers, you may be sure it's a good article, for advertising only pays if the goods are honest and possess merit. The people who make a specialty of one advertised article like Cascarets, Candy Cathartics for example, stake their whole business existence on its doing what they say it will. They must "make good" as the saying is. Readers of this paper are urged to be sure that they get what they ask for, when they ask for an advertised article, for it's the good thing that is imitated and counterfeited. Don't accept substitutes. Insist on getting the genuine.

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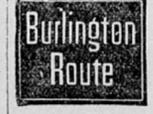
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