

MORE THAN HALF CENTURY HERE

Death Sunday Morning of Mrs. Cassie Witter Griffith at Home of Daughter, Mrs. Thos. Reddie.

WAS BORN IN IRELAND

Came to This Country Many Years Ago—Woman of Gentle Refinement of Character.

Mrs. Cassie Witter Griffith, for nearly fifty-three years a resident of this city, succumbed to senility and other ailments...

Mrs. Griffith was born near Londonderry, Ireland, October 30th, 1824, and when a very small child came to this country to make her home...

There survive, two children, J. W. Griffith of Valley Junction, and Mrs. Thos. Reddie, of this city. Two grandchildren, Mrs. George Ten Eyck of Valley Junction, and Miss Helen Reddie of Keokuk are also living.

AGED WOMAN CAME HERE BEFORE WAR

Mrs. Alexander Kennedy, Past Seventy-Five Years Old, Died at Ten O'Clock Sunday.

Sunday night at ten o'clock, occurred the death of Mrs. Alexander Kennedy, an aged woman who has been making her home with her daughter at 420 Des Moines street...

Old Reporter Dead. WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Death has come to Andrew C. Welch, the dean of the official reporters of the house of representatives...

Dr. Robert M. Reimers, assistant surgeon at Santa Fe Hospital, at Fort Madison, Iowa, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reimers. Mrs. C. O. Starr went to Croton this morning to attend the funeral of John B. Starr, which took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Texas Woman Near Death. Willis Point, Tex.—In a letter from Willis Point, Mrs. Victoria Stallings says: "I was afflicted with womanly troubles, had a dreadful cough, and suffered awful pains. I certainly would have died, if I had not been relieved by taking Cardui. Now I am stronger, and in better health than I ever was in my life. I can't say half enough for this great medicine."

CAPT. CHAS. FALKNER FORMER RESIDENT

Demise of Davenport Man Who Was Former River Captain and Canal Builder.

There are many of the older citizens of Keokuk who will remember Captain Chas. Falkner, late of Davenport. Captain Falkner died in that city early Sunday morning at five o'clock, after a long illness, and health impaired by old age.

The deceased lived in Keokuk, about the year 1874 and was one of the government employes here when the Des Moines rapids canal was constructed, having supervision over some part of the building work. Later Captain Falkner bought the river steamer "Louisa" and made regular trips between Warsaw and Keokuk in those earlier times, afterward running from Keokuk to Nauvoo until the removal of the family to Davenport which had since been the place of family residence.

While a Keokukian, Captain Falkner became a member of Eagle lodge A. F. and A. M., No. 12. Decedent was born in Germany, October 16, 1844, and came to this country when a child. For a period of more than seventeen years, he was night captain of the Davenport police force and a prominent resident of the Iowa city.

Those who survive are his wife, Doris, and the following children: Charles of Strathmore, Alta, Canada, Mrs. Jacob Stoff, of Moline, Ill., Herman of Davenport, Mrs. Emma Lampe of San Francisco, Cal., and William School of this city. Mr. School departed this morning at 7:35 for Davenport to attend the obsequies which will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

CITY NEWS.

—100 pair men's heavy Arctics at \$1.25 pair. R. E. Arctics \$1.35. Star Shoe Store.

—Another patron of The Gate City want column used that department Sunday morning to advertise a lost pin. The property was returned to the office this morning. Moral: More people read The Gate City than ever before in its existence.

—And still another: A patron of The Gate City want column advertised in Sunday morning's issue for two tickets to "Bright Eyes." He made the deal this afternoon through the want column and "that girl" will see the show.

—Men, women and children's Arctics and Alaskas, at cost prices. Star Shoe Store.

—This evening a series of evangelistic services will be commenced at the First Christian church. These will be union services and there will be no meetings held in the churches until the meetings close. The meetings will commence at 7:30 o'clock each evening, except Saturday, when no meeting will be held.

—John McCray, an old settler, died at his home seven miles north of Hamilton Sunday morning, when he had lived for about sixty years. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

—Mrs. Mary P. Guy, ninety-two years old, died at the Lee County home early Sunday morning of cancer. She was one of the oldest residents of the county. Three sons and one daughter survive.

—Robert Glasgow, 91 years old and a resident of Alexandria, Mo., died this morning at that place, from senility. The deceased had lived there for many years and was one of the oldest men in this section of the county.

—The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Happs was held at St. Peter's Catholic church at nine o'clock this morning. The pall bearers were: John W. Rovane, Charles McDowell, Conrad LeFeber, Charles LaFeber, John LaFeber and Frank Moeller.

—A special meeting of Keokuk lodge No. 106 of the Elks is to be held on Wednesday evening when a class of 16 or more candidates will be initiated into the order, the degree team from Fort Madison lodge to come down and do the work. The exercises will be held in Woodmen hall and will be followed by a social session in the lodge room. The attendance is expected to be large.

YOUNG MAN DIED SUNDAY AFTERNOON

George Stutes Taken With Convulsions, Passed Away at Age of Eighteen Years.

Sunday afternoon at 3:25, occurred the death of George Stutes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stutes of 811 So. Third street. The young man, who was nearly eighteen years old, had not been well for a number of years and was confined to the house the greater part of the time, suffering from convulsions at intervals. He was born at Kahoka, Mo., July 23, 1893, and was brought to this city by his parents when two years old.

He had a number of friends who are sorry to learn of his death. Those who survive beside the parents are: sisters, Mrs. William Chessier, Mrs. Jno. Roost, Mrs. Dave Manson of Sigourney, Mrs. Jacob Recklein of Chicago and brothers James, Ross and Henry of Keokuk.

Largest Stalactite Cave. The largest stalactite cave in Europe recently was discovered in the Dachestein mountains of Upper Austria.

POOR LAW THAT CAN'T DOUBLE

Trades and Labor Assembly in Long Discussion Friday, Make Clear Stand in the Theatre Matter.

EMPLOYER THE ONE

Union Men of the City Believe Man Who Hires Should be Responsible, Not The Employed.

Three hours last Friday night, the members of the Keokuk Trades and Labor Assembly discussed with the fraternal representatives of the Ministerial Association, the position taken by the ministers in the recent move to put a ban on Sunday theatres here, especially those providing moving pictures for entertainment.

The Labor Assembly went on record as being opposed to the action of the ministers which the representative of that association explained was taken individually and not as an organization. The position of the ministers with regard to the matter was fully explained in the hour which ensued after the opening of the talk fest.

Previous press notices have explained that the Trades and Labor Assembly are opposed to any action, whereby the employees of a concern are affected, prosecuted for Sunday work or other matters similar. That the enforcement of a poor law is worse than the violation of a good one, is recognized by the assembly and was the weight of argument advanced by representatives of the organized labor body last week.

The Trades and Labor Assembly here has ceased paying per capita to the A. F. of L. the charters of Iowa and Ohio having been revoked. As one delegate said the other evening: "We'll have a Boston tea party and throw the tea overboard." Taxation without representation is "considered unjust by the tradesmen."

The Hamill bill, now before the Iowa state legislature provides for the abolishment of the state printer, which would necessitate the putting of state printing into the hands of bidders and as a result, inferior work would come from the passage of such a bill. Protest was made against this measure.

Protestation was made by the local labor men against the bill providing that the new battle ship, "New York," be built by private corporations instead of by the union men of the navy yards. It has been proved satisfactorily that the ship can be built cheaper and better by the government than by self-controlled companies.

One of the final matters of the meeting attended to was the endorsement of the letter carriers' petition for Sunday as a holiday.

CITY NEWS.

—"Red" Jackson, a strange negro, was arrested this afternoon by Officer Lefe Fuqua. Jackson is said to have drawn a gun on another negro in Walker's barber shop, between Ninth and Tenth on Main street. A gun was found on his person when arrested. An information charging Jackson with carrying concealed weapons, has been filed in the superior court.

NEW POWERFUL MICROSCOPE

Enormous Magnification is Attained Without Formal Blemishes Due to Optical Causes.

There has been exhibited before the Royal society of London a form of microscope, the invention of Professor Gordon, by means of which enormous magnification of an object can, it is stated, be attained without the blemishes due to optical causes that formerly marred such images.

We may suppose that the enlarged image of an object is received from a microscopic lens upon a ground glass focusing screen, and that then another microscope is employed still further to enlarge the image so formed. This is, of course, quite feasible, but the grain of the glass would be magnified together with the image and would vitiate the result. Professor Gordon uses a translucent screen of the finest possible texture, and he causes it to be kept in constant motion while the object is being viewed or photographed. By this means the grain of the screen is eliminated and the greatly magnified image of the object alone seen. Specimens magnified to the extent of ten thousand diameters were shown as proofs of the efficacy of the method adopted.—Harper's Weekly.

Tears Prohibited.

It is unfortunate that fashion no longer allows the tender little playgoer to weep, a privilege which belonged to nineteenth century femininity, for there is no greater luxury than a good cry over some picturesque and heart-stirring tragedy. It is this which makes "East Lynne" so popular out of London.—London Black and White.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

PUBLICITY AGENT FOR THE STATE

Oklahoma is After Results, Similar to Those Iowa and Keokuk Work For.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Feb. 6.—An opportunity is to be given to some person to make himself the "most useful citizen" of Oklahoma, if the Commercial Secretaries' Association should succeed in its present undertaking.

This "most useful citizen," is to be given a salary of perhaps \$4,000 a year and provided with every accessory required in his work. He is to be a kind of knight errant of publicity for the state of Oklahoma, gathering data and statistics concerning the resources of every community and compiling them in a form accessible to every inquirer. Furthermore, he is to defend Oklahoma with his pen against every form of misrepresentation, especially in the eastern newspapers, where untruths about Oklahoma are now unchallenged.

The Commercial Secretaries' association is composed of the secretaries of the commercial clubs and chambers of commerce in the different towns of Oklahoma. Their task is to get factories and stores and public improvements to increase the local population and generally to prescribe remedies for civic ills. These secretaries frequently work at cross purposes with each other in efforts to increase their wealth and population.

The "most useful citizen" of Oklahoma is to put an end to this kind of thing. The secretaries are preparing a bill to be offered in the state legislature now in session creating the office proposed.

CUMMINS CHEERED WHEN HE SPOKE

Said That the Gravest Question of the Present is the Lack of Old Time Competition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Attacking the Sherman anti-trust law on the ground that it failed to encourage competition and control monopolies, Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, was cheered by a large audience at the Republican club Saturday night.

"And I tell you," he declared, "when the American people are confronted with selfish monopolist institutions on the one hand, and government co-operation on the other, they will take to socialism."

This, he said, was the gravest question that had confronted the American nation in years. "We must restore competition to its full vigor, so as to protect the public from monopoly or we must establish a tribunal which will fix prices for everything, from a yard of flannel to a bushel of wheat, and then we will have drifted into the ante room of complete state socialism."

MAIL CLERKS FIGHT TO WIN

Attorney for the Men Has Gone to Washington to Stir Matters up.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 6.—"The mail clerks are in this fight to stay and to win."

James Manahan of St. Paul, attorney for the railway mail clerks of the northwest made the above statement as he was leaving for Washington.

"I shall lay the clerk's grievances before congress in an endeavor to have an investigation instituted into the railway economy methods of the postoffice department," continued Manahan, "and take up the matter with Minnesota senators and congressmen. The trouble lies with the politicians. The postmaster general is playing peanut politics and calling it economy."

USE OLD RAM AS TARGET

Practice With Twelve Inch Shells to Be Carried Out on the River.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—With the obsolete ram Kahtadin as a target, shell and armor tests will be performed at the mouth of the Potomac river today under the direction of the bureau of ordnance.

Rear Admiral Mason, chief of the bureau, the commissioner on naval affairs, and a former naval constructor, will witness the tests. The Kahtadin has been fitted up with eleven inch armor plate in preparation for the tests. The firing will be done from the monitor Tallahassee, at a distance of 8,000 yards, or nearly five miles. Twelve inch shells will be used.

Impure blood runs you down—makes you an easy victim for organic diseases. Burdock Blood Bitters purifies the blood—cures the cause—builds you up.

Parliament Opened.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—King George today opened parliament in full state, accompanied by the queen. The Duke of Norfolk as earl marshal brought the assembly to its feet with a blast of trumpets as the king and queen entered. The king then read his message.

Itching piles provoke profanity, but profanity won't cure them. Doan's Ointment cures itching, bleeding, or protruding piles after years of suffering. At any drug store.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

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Daily Grain Letter.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Cables one-fourth higher. There was nothing in the market movements of last week to clear up the position of the leaders in wheat. Long distance situation indicates that all months will have to sell at 90, but immediate situation and nervousness suggests sharp rallies. Weather forecast and conditions indicate a bad spell, with lighter movement of all grains in consequence and heavier feeding of corn and oats.

Corn gains a few more friends daily. No serious bear statistics in provisions as yet. Average hog price off to \$7.57. Bears can find plenty of material in the corn situation, but the sterner market factor evidently belongs to the friends of corn, who believe it is worth a little more. Some common sense to buy on dips. With bad weather for one to two weeks corn will be able to regain its lost ground.

Broomhull cables the minister of agriculture favors the retention of the duty on wheat.

Daily Range of Prices.

Table with columns: WHEAT, CORN, OATS, Closing Wheat, Shipments, Visible Supply, Omaha Receipts, World's Shipments.

Local Live Stock. KEOKUK, Feb. 6.—The following live stock market furnished today by Joseph Haubert: Hogs—Good butchers, \$7.24. Sheep—Butchers, \$4.00. Calves—\$5.50 to 7.50.

New York Produce. KEOKUK, Feb. 3.—The following duce markets are as follows: Butter, creamery, 26@26½c. Process—Special, 20½@21c. Eggs—Fresh, gathered, western firsts—22@22½c. Fancy boxed fowls, 16 to 16½c. Dry packed springs, 13½@15c.

RUSSIA'S SCHEME TO GET PERSIA. Secret Agents Resort to Assassination to Create a Feeling of Lawlessness.

TEHERAN, Persia, Feb. 6.—The persistent assassination of Persian officials which culminated in the slaying of San-Ed Dowles, minister of finance, is attributed to Russian agents endeavoring to prove that the country's lawlessness demands intervention. The czar is expected momentarily to attempt a complete grab of northern Persia which the government would be powerless to resist. Such a move, however, would be contested desperately by Turkey.

San-Ed Dowles is the third Persian statesman to meet death at the hands of assassins. In August, 1907, Morsea Ali Asghar Khan, premier and minister of interior, was shot dead as he was leaving the parliament building. 1908, Javam El-Molk Shirazi was murdered. The assassins of San-Ed Dowles have not been captured.

YOUTH SHOULD BE TOLERANT

Must Practise Self-Denial and Pay to Old Age the Attention So Welcome to It.

Young people are happier together without the constraint of elderly company, still they should not openly avoid that company, or make their elders feel out in the cold.

There is a certain type of girl to whom an elderly person is always a frump or fog, an object of ridicule, and to be avoided or ignored as much as possible. Self-denial is necessary to make youth tolerant of age, but the attentions of youth are so welcome to the elder that this is a virtue which may be said to bring its own reward.

The young girl should listen patiently to the old man's story, though it may possibly be a little prosy, and she should be ready to play or sing or do anything in her power, with sweet willingness, immediately when asked.

She does not realize how wonderful and beautiful it seems to her elders that here is a bright being with the world at her feet and all the pleasant years before her. A glad heart and a bright young face mean much in a gathering of people where there are sure to be some heavy hearts, some sorrow-lined countenances.

The young men always gravitate toward the pretty girls, yet it is a question whether their admiration of them is more spontaneous and more sincere than that of the older ones, who look wistfully at them, recalling happy days that are no more, and humming under the breath some such song as "O, Don't You Remember Sweet Alice, Ben Bolt?"

Did Not Know Own Child. Of unassigned paintings the Dusseldorf Zeitung tells an amusing story which may interest picture buyers.

A certain collector had bought from an art dealer a seascape represented as a genuine Achenbach. Afterward it was pronounced to be a copy. The buyer brought an action against the dealer who turned the tables by declaring that his picture was genuine, and the other was a copy.

Achenbach himself was summoned by the courts to tell which was which. Amazed at the absolute similarity of the two paintings, he gazed at them for a long time, inspected them closely, front and back, sniffed them, and then frankly admitted he could not tell which was the original and which the copy.

Not Worth Bothering About. There are some things that cannot be done with money, but they are hardly worth mentioning.

—Read The Daily Gate City.

Your Prescriptions will receive careful and prompt attention always at the— City Drug Store Both Phones 7th & Main

Want Column

WANTED.—Boy with wheel, to work after school hours. Postal Telegraph Cable Co.

FOR SALE.—Ponty for sale cheap. Broke single or double. Eugene Athey, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth on Oak street, Hamilton, Ill.

FOR SALE.—Household goods at 1303 Orleans street.

FOR RENT.—Furnished residence, six rooms and bath. Enquire W. S. Sample.

FOR RENT.—Six room cottage, 1309 Orleans. Enquire 716 Main St.

FOR RENT.—Furnished or unfurnished house on north side. For particulars apply to No. 5 Park Place.

FOUND.—A child's ring with Anna May to Adelaide inscribed. Dodges Theatre.

LOST.—Gold beads with blue glass heart. Please return to 27 North Fifth street. Reward.

LOST.—Ladies' gold watch and chain, last night between Nineteenth and Seventh on Orleans. Return to this office. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS. LADIES—Sew shields at home; \$10 per 100; can make two an hour; work sent prepaid to reliable women; reply envelope full information to Universal Co., Desk A, Walnut St., Phila., Pa.

MEN UNDER 35—Mail service. I. S. S. 183, Ia. Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

SMOKE SIGNALS OF INDIANS. How the Redman Communicated With His People and Warned Them of Danger.

The traveler on the plains in the early days soon learned the significance of the spires of smoke that he sometimes saw rising from a distant ridge or hill and answered from a different direction. It was the signal talk of the Indians across miles of intervening ground, a signal used in rallying the warriors for an attack, or warning them for a retreat.

The Indian had a way of sending the smoke up in rings or puffs, knowing that such a smoke column would at once be noticed and understood as a signal, and not mistaken for the smoke of some camp-fire. He made his rings by covering the little fire with his blanket for a moment and allowing the smoke to ascend, when he instantly covered the fire again. The column of ascending smoke had said to every Indian within thirty miles, "Beware! An enemy is near!"

Three smokes built close together meant "Danger." One smoke merely meant "Attention." Two smokes meant "Camp at this place."

Frequently at night the settler or the traveler saw fiery lines crossing the sky, shooting up and falling, perhaps taking a direction diagonal to the lines of vision. He might guess that these were the signals of the Indians, but unless he were an old-timer he might not be able to interpret the signals. The old-timer and the squawman knew that one fire-arrow, an arrow prepared by treating the head of the shaft with gunpowder and fine bark, meant the same as three columns of smoke puffs. "An enemy is near." Two arrows meant "Danger," three arrows, "The danger is great." Several arrows indicated, "The enemy is too powerful for us."

The Barber in History. Lovers of history will readily recall the influence possessed by the barber-valet and confidant of Louis XI of France, Olivier le Dain, and perhaps less easily the name of Nicholas Stagebeck, who gained a like influence with Christian II of Denmark; while there is no doubt that many other men in the calling have been on the most friendly terms with their famous customers who enjoyed their discourse and did not disdain their advice. Like the barber of Montbard, in Burgundy, who, to the end of his days, boasted that on one memorable morning he had shaved before breakfast "three men capable of ruling a world"—Messrs. Buffon, Rousseau and Voltaire.

