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Anyway, Lafe Young was in the senate long enough to get credentials for the lecture platform.

The latest water power project in this state contemplates a concrete dam across the Des Moines river at Humboldt, Iowa.

The criticism has been made that the Mexican insurrection is doing all its "revolving" around the edges and not in the middle where it might do some good.

Judge McPherson has set April 25 as the time for the hearing at Davenport on the application for temporary injunction against the state railroad commission.

An instance of rectitude tested to the breaking point comes to notice from Canton, Ill., where a school principal has disappeared simultaneously with the school bank in which the children had deposited \$156.

Even to the average intelligent man the mention of the word microbe conjures up the image of a minute and very malignant animal.

The microbe belongs to the vegetable kingdom. The number of species that are parasitic on man is a very small percentage of the total number.

The microbe begins life as what is called a "spore." This is a very minute oval structure (about one-three hundredths of the diameter of an ordinary pin's head).

The next phase consists in the germination of the spore, which takes place when owing to the absorption of water the enclosed protoplasm bursts open the shell and emerges as a newly born individual.

There is a widespread belief that all bacteria are inimical to man. Not only is this not the case, but a large number are so essential to our existence that they were destroyed all life on this earth would in a very short time become impossible.

vegetable matter. The nitrogen in this matter is successively changed first into ammonious compounds by one kind of bacteria, then into nitrates by a different class of bacteria.

Complaint is general among telephone users in Keokuk that they are constantly summoned to the "phone only to be told that some other number is wanted, or when asking for one number, are given another.

Perfection is not expected, for telephone operators are human. But the evil is allowed to flourish beyond all reason, and unless it is abated by the company external measures must and will be taken to correct the abuse.

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According to the Sunflower philosopher, when a man is first married neighbors like to tell how long he remains home at noon.

Good advice by the Peoria Herald-Transcript: If the other fellow thinks he can whip you don't give him the satisfaction of proving it.

The Waterloo Courier concludes that the saloon interests of the state must have taken a squirt at the Moon law over the left shoulder while it was yet a minor.

A homesteader in North Dakota has returned his patent to Washington for the signature of Mrs. Taft, fearing that the document is insufficient without merely the signature of the President.

same time it is admitted that these shows may be the purveyors of morality—may aid and may direct young people along the right lines.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS, AGAIN. The state board of health is in receipt of advices from a number of localities throughout the state that chickens are subject to what is commonly known as "infantile paralysis."

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Mrs. M. M. Roost, 1000 Reid street, Keokuk, Iowa, says: "My back ached constantly and whenever I made a quick movement, sharp twinges darted through me."

A young man at Hastings, Iowa, was fined \$50 last week for hugging a telephone girl. The Columbus Safe-guard suggests that the young man must have made a mistake and visited a toll station instead of a mutual exchange.

"Colonel Lafe went down with banners flying and none can charge that he went down crying," says the Castana Times. "He served his day and purpose well, but a standpoint in Iowa might as soon be in— we just can't think of the proper word to



The FLOUR

rhyme with 'well' and we trust our readers will forgive the lapse of memory."

High Praise For Country Press. "Uncle Joe" Cannon in speech in house: When I cannot get the truth into the metropolitan newspapers, the country newspapers come to my rescue.

Do you know, one reason why I am against the parcels post is that we know the local merchant and the commercial traveler.

I am not complaining. I am not seeking justification. If they will let me alone, before a great while I will quit public life on my own motion.

Apparently, Burlington Hawk-Eye: Miss Spring has filed Old Man Winter at last, apparently, and the buds and blossoms have nothing more to fear from him.

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