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- Des Moines. Justices of the Peace, EUGENE L. BLAKE, L. J. SILVANA.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The republican party comes again before the people of Iowa with every promise performed and every prophecy fulfilled. The history of the past year has again demonstrated the wisdom and competency of the democratic party to administer the affairs of the nation, and has again indicated the eternal truth of republican principles.

fore the meeting of the Republican State Convention.

Alexander Hamilton, who died in Grand Rapids, Mich., a few days ago, was a slave who escaped to the union line in '62, and became the valet of a Michigan officer, by whose aid he studied law and was admitted to the bar. He built up an excellent practice among his people in Grand Rapids.

Ed. Willitt is meeting with great encouragement in his application for the position of military instructor in the Mason City, Mo., schools. His ability cannot be doubted. He is a good scholar and a gentleman. Uncle Sam recognized Mr. Willitt's merits and gave him many positions of trust in the regular army.

Colored men, many of them accompanied by their wives and children, continue to go to the Connelville (Pa.) soft coal mines. Over 2,500 have been sent from Roanoke, some 1,500 from Staunton, and large numbers from other points in the state. A careful estimate places the number from Virginia at 5,500, not counting the women and children.

EVERYBODY PRACTICE IT.

S. D. Kemp in Chicago Appeal. Allow me space in your valuable paper to give vent to my feeling regarding some people who are supposed to dedicate their whole, entire service to God, but when the veil is drawn from their faces, they are shown up as Judas Iscariot was when he betrayed Christ for thirty pieces of silver.

They who should walk as examples before our young ladies and gentlemen rather than slandering and gossiping all the time. Why could we not as co-workers with Christ lend a helping hand to our neighbors and friends and by this way learn to put down strife and enmity and succeed in making our homes more beautiful pictures in the sight of God, and be joined in one band of unity and love.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Rev. F. Lomax was here attending the annual state association of the Christian Church. He is the only colored member representing this denomination in the state. He is meeting with great success in his new field of labor. Letters of greeting came to the association from Oakland, Cal., from the pastor of the Christian Church, (white), recommending a Negro divine, Dr. Davis, D. D., to the confidence of the clergy and churches of Iowa as being a scholar in every particular, speaking both the Greek and Hebrew tongues and several other languages.

GALESBURG GLEANINGS.

On Tuesday evening of last week a lawn social was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davison. It was quite well attended and was given for the benefit of the A. M. E. choir, of which Mrs. Davison has been the leading soprano for several years. The music was furnished by a quartette composed of John Duke, Joe Johnson, May Ruff and Cora Love-Jeffers. The quartette was organized recently and is becoming very popular.

Thursday, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Worthington, on North Academy street, occurred an event long to be remembered in colored society circles. There were about thirty invited guests, and the day was spent in social conversation, music and artistic needlework. At 2 o'clock an elegant dinner was served in courses, and at 6 all departed, wishing for many returns of the day. Mrs. and Mr. Worthington are well known as entertainers and many guests enjoy the hospitality of their home.

KEOKUK ITEMS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. The camp meeting held by the members of Bethel A. M. E. Church was well attended. It was a success in every way.

There was a large attendance to hear Rev. Clay, of the M. E. church, preach at 11 A. M. Topic, "The Light of the World." Mrs. Mary Dove gave an address which pleased all. At 4 p. M. R. H. Williams preached on "The Message," and at evening Rev. Hawley, of Hamilton, topic, "The Vin." The meeting closed with a grand old time social meeting and hand shaking. The receipts for the church were \$65.00.

THEN AND NOW, OR 1860 AND 1894.

EDITOR BYSTANDER—The first words sent over the first telegraph (an experimental line built from Worcester to Baltimore by S. F. B. Morse, the inventor), were: "What hath God wrought?" I was forcibly reminded of this while looking over a copy of your newsy paper.

In the fall of 1860, during the great presidential campaign which resulted in the election of the revered Abraham Lincoln, Mr. James M. Ruff, the father of the publishers of the BYSTANDER, was running a barber shop and was present at the meeting of the A. M. E. church in Cedar Rapids, and one from Marion went down to Mt. Vernon to give a specimen of their beautiful drill, and add to the interest of the occasion.

The writer heard one of these "Wide-Awakes" who was passing along the street and happened to see Mr. Ruff, the only colored man in the town, say: "Golly, I wish I had that fellow down South; I could sell him for a thousand dollars!"

A few years ago in traveling through the South I sat on the platform at the morning chapel exercises in one of the largest colleges for colored people in the South and looked into the earnest, eager, intelligent faces of several hundred students, most of whom had made sacrifices to enable them to attend the college which would well-nigh discourage a white person, and I heard such singing and saw such an intense interest in their eyes as will always remain before me. As I went on through the South I saw and heard of instances where the colored people were coming to the front, professionally, educationally and financially in a way that is surprising to themselves and everybody else.

LA GRANGE NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Rev. E. D. Green and Wm. Allen were the delegates sent to represent the La Grange church which met at Macon, on Sunday, the 26th. Rev. Green and church took an excursion to Macon, which was a success. The receipts were \$100.00.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

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BURLINGTON BUDGET.

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and in fact every place of amusement was crowded with people. We shall not consume space nor time to write the affair up, but can briefly say that everyone seemed to have been enjoying the beautiful sights of Burlington and the kind hospitality of Burlington people.

Mr. John Harris, of Ottumwa, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Peter Johnson, this week. Mr. Harris gave the family quite a pleasant surprise, as none of them had any knowledge of his coming. He came with no other luggage than a gold-headed cane in his hand; but when he was ready to leave he discovered that his sister wanted to change him from a gentleman into a pack mule. She had been gone into the garden about half an hour, when she returned to the house with a huge basket filled with green apples which she wanted to send to mamma. So poor Johnny took a long breath, cast a sorrowful eye down on his burden, summoned up all the strength, courage and patience he had, bid the family a sad good-by and started on his homeward journey a man who was not much better than the former one.

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A PROTEST.

MR. EDITOR—I must express my opinion upon the actions of colored women and men at the excursion to Waterloo. It makes my blood run cold when I reflect back to the days of bondage not many years ago and see there the disgrace and shame that our mothers and sisters were compelled to stand, hearing the prayers to God for deliverance from the people who mark some of us will carry to our graves. That was all years ago and is now and was then, excusable, but the actions of some of the colored women from Des Moines and Marshalltown in Waterloo on the 28th is inexcusable, not perhaps that you could disgrace them more, but that the reputation of the race was at stake at that place. It was shameful how some of the colored women carried on with white men at that place. It not only disgraced the respectable ladies on the excursion but the race, and caused them to receive insults that we as a race should never stand again. It is a disgraceful thing that we should be allowed to associate with respectable colored people. We had some people from Marshalltown on the excursion that we feel justly proud of and whom we know to be ladies and gentlemen; but when we see some of the women from there that disgraced us by their actions and doings at Waterloo. We knew they had no respect for themselves, but thought they would have for their fore-parents, who bore the marks of bondage, and the race which they belong to for they ought to be white. I refer to the women that got crazy and thought they were doing something because some white men were to be seen on the streets with them. They know that they are and what they are and if they can't be a credit to the race to which they belong, for heaven's sake don't disgrace it.

OSKAIOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. Mrs. Rice, of Gilman, was among Oskaioosa people jubilee day. Peter Ringo, of Montezuma, attended the barbecue Aug. 25. Frank Walker, now of Sigourney, but one of Oskaioosa's old citizens, was shaking hands with friends last week. Geo. Carter, of Newton, was a two days' visitor in his city last week. He seemed well pleased with his trip.

The basket social at the A. M. E. church last Wednesday was a great success. There was plenty of enjoyment for all. The baskets come high, but the boys must have them. A letter from Lee Ford and Charles Wilson, who a few weeks ago, started on the road with Dr. Dant, states that they are meeting with good success. Oskaioosa people are proud of those words, for she always likes to see her boys get to the front.

Wm. Chism, of What Cheer, made a flying trip to this city last week. He says he will be back to attend the fair. Jubilee day was fairly well attended. A good, lengthy program was rendered, and everything went off nicely and quietly. The roasted beef was highly enjoyed by all who feasted. The program at the hall at night was greatly appreciated, several good speakers being present. A little social followed the speaking and everyone seemed to have a delightful time. The proceeds are to go to the A. M. E. Church, and we think they will realize a nice little sum.

Miss Mattie Shackelford attended the box social and jubilee and returned to Keosauqua Saturday. After visiting a few days longer she will return to her home at Sharpsburg, Iowa. Mrs. Addie Martin, of Dubuque, arrived in this city last week. She is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Thos. Martin, who has been ill for a long time.

Mrs. C. G. Lee was on the sick list the fore part of this week, but fortunately she is up and around now. Geo. E. Taylor and Miss Cora Buckner were quietly united last Saturday, at the A. M. E. parsonage. Rev. P. B. Taylor officiating. George is editor of the Solicitor, and is one of Oskaioosa's most popular colored gentlemen. Miss Cora is one of Oskaioosa's fairest and best educated young ladies, and always makes friends wherever she goes. Mr. and Mrs. Cora are long and happy and crowned with an abundant success.

It is reported that A. D. Corbin, has cloped with Miss Cora Buckner, (Jack Buckner's daughter) aged 17. Corbin is almost three times that age. Mr. Buckner has ordered Corbin from his home several times, and the last time drove him away with a club. It is supposed that Corbin had given the girl a lot of "soft" talk and she being young was led astray. It is said that that is the way he got his second wife, who left him about a month ago, and goodness knows how he got his first one. Oskaioosa people are very much stirred up over his actions. Dispatches have been sent in different directions, and it caught the public sentiment is that a necktie of rope would be a handsome present to such a man.

Mr. Alexander, of Chicago, arrived in the city last week with the intention of starting a social club among the young colored men of this city. He is a hustler and the boys are taking hold of it finely. Frank Harris is again back in Oskaioosa and has taken the foremanship of the Solicitor printing office. Frank is a fine young man and we are glad to have him take part again in our little circle.

Frank Allen left for Canton, Mo., Tuesday evening, owing to the illness of his father, Wm. Allen. Miss Lizzie Beashers, his cousin, accompanied him. Mrs. Albert Jones spent two days visiting in Albia last week. Miss Nannie York is filling the vacancy at the colored restaurant during Lizzie Beashers absence. Miss Josie Lewis, spent Saturday and Sunday in Colon, with her mother, who has been ill for a few days. Black & Hall are meeting with great success in the new barber shop. They are both excellent barbers and deserve a large patronage.

Mrs. Sarah Washington, of Hannibal, Mo., is visiting in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones. She is a sister of Mr. Jones and expects to remain some time.

Miss Lillian Smith entertained a host of her friends at the home of her parents last Thursday evening, this being her eighth anniversary day. It was an evening of hilarity with the little folks.

Quite a number of our citizens went to Burlington last Sunday, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Z. Taylor, J. F. Harris, Wm. Downey, Samuel and Wm. Wells, Misses Helen Johnson and Anna B. Reynolds. They report having a good time.

Rev. C. Hunt, of Kirksville, Mo., was in the city several days last week assisting in the camp-meeting. He is an able divine and attracted much attention while here. He returned home Monday.

The house of Joseph Coats, which was burned some time ago, is now being rebuilt. It will be much better than the former one. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Oranes were also excursionists to Burlington last Sunday.

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The members of the A. M. E. church will begin their camp meeting Friday evening, August 31, at Bonn's summer garden. We trust that much success may follow this religious effort.

Mrs. Amy Carter, quite an old settler of Burlington, who has been in St. Paul, Minnesota, for the past four or five years is again in our midst. We are unable to say how long she will remain here, work will demand and indefinite stay.

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Miss Gertrude Bugg gave a reception Monday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. Pinkard. Mr. Wm. Turner is visiting his mother from Kentucky. Miss Susie Turner has returned from the South after a long absence from the city.

Miss Florence Cooper is quite sick. Mr. Guied, of Moline, Ill., is visiting Mrs. Wm. Emerson.

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IN FASHION'S GLASS.

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE LADIES.

A Few Precautions in Youth Will Defer Wrinkles for Many Years—Gowns for Summer Maidens—Various Notes of the Modes.

ACCORDING TO A well-known complexion specialist, a few simple precautions in youth would defer wrinkles many years. Women should avoid tears above all else. There is a lining to the membrane of the muscles around the eyes which contains water. By crying this water is lost. The supply is not equal to the exhaust, causing a dryness of skin which produces wrinkles.

A passive expression of countenance should be cultivated. People who call into action the muscles of the face while speaking wrinkle early in life. Frowning and laughing also produce wrinkles. It is better never to sleep on the face; use down pillows when possible. Gentle massage is an excellent thing, but one should be careful to always rub the same way. Even the lines in the forehead can be rubbed away if one is patient enough to do it.

All face lotions and powders having a tendency to dry the skin will produce wrinkles. Pure soap containing no alkali is non-injurious and should be used daily. Excessively hot water dries the skin and wrinkles it, while cold water stimulates and refreshes it. The first lines usually appear between the ages of 25 and 35 years. If they come before they are usually brought by illness or mental distress. At the period mentioned the natural secretions of the flesh begin to recede, leaving the skin too large for the space it covers. This is what causes wrinkles.

Gowns for Ye Summer Maidens. Fashions come and go, but one fact remains unchanged: dark blue and white are the colors to be used for the yachting gown, whether the skirts flare or cling, or the sleeves require four yards of material or two. But the clever girl is not discouraged, for she can design an outing suit of blue and white so different from every other gown that one is conscious only of its novelty.

A blue and white gown which an original summer girl designed for herself showed a white duck petticoat beneath a skirt of dark blue serge, which was draped fetchingly at the right side and finished around the bottom with five rows of narrow silver braid. The full waist, with its short fluted basque, was made of duck and fastened with silver buttons, a row of the buttons ornamenting the basque in an odd fashion. Duck was used for the full leg-o'-mutton sleeves and a jaunty Bolero of the serge completed this novel costume.

Another original blue and white yachting gown was also made of blue serge. Bands of white duck, embroidered in lines of dark blue silk, trimmed the skirt. The simple waste of white serge was made with a vest of white duck crossed with bands of dark blue. The sleeve was a full, much-rinkled affair in white, and dark blue serge formed the wide sailor collar.—N. Y. World.

A Gown Three Years Old. It was a gown of heliotrope glaze silk, beautiful in coloring and almost as good as new, but in design just a step or two behind the march of fashion. It was three years old, so remodeling was a necessity if it was to be worn this season. Isigny mull, that up-to-date material, transformed it into a gown of to-day.

The narrow skirt was widened to its correct width by inserted panels of Isigny mull with corn-colored taffeta. Bands of dark heliotrope velvet made the panels more ornamental. A deep bertha of the mull covered the only soiled part of the waist. The stock belt and collar were of corn-colored silk, and the sleeves, which were hopelessly small, were enlarged by full puffs of the plain mull over the heliotrope silk, making the color effect most artistic. Two elongated tabs of the silk were a unique feature of the bodice. They were finished at

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Besides the leagues of fancy lace of every imaginable design and of every width, from one inch to one yard, in cream, ecrú, white, black and butter color, are more novel garnitures of frilled tulle hung with sparkling spangles and sequins. These will be alike popular for bodice trimming and decorations in millinery.

Very pretty vine-embroidered, brie-stitched or tuck and insertion, all-over fabrics in lawn, French muslin and India linen are shown this season, designed for yokes, waists and borders for summer dresses.

For a Garden Party. The black and white color is a combination which is being black and white in the garden party. French gown or for a garden party. The material is black silk or mohair, ornamented with an effective trimming in jet and gilt. Over the plain, full skirt an oddly shaped overskirt is draped, outlined with a band of the trimming. A unique effect is given to the gown by the arrangement of black moire ribbon. It is caught in rosettes on the bodice, and falls with two long ends to the bottom of the skirt. These ends are finished with a deep band of butter-colored lace. This same design of lace is used to form a deep collar, surmounted by a ruche of black silk muslin. The sleeves are of mohair, and the bertha to the elbow, where yellow chambray is used.

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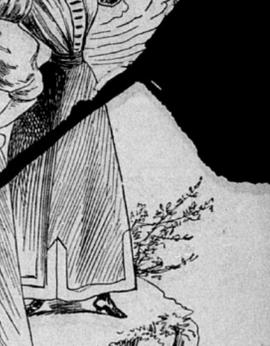
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