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It is reported that the "White House" of the Southern Confederacy is now used as a school house for Negro children.

"Now that the 'pieters' have appeared would be a good time for a lot of dark horses to enter into the field for the various county offices."

Rev. W. W. Browne, of Richmond, Va., continues to throw his huge ears forward and bray in a natural voice.

The Southern Force is the name of a new paper printed at Lynchburg, Va., for the small sum of 10c per month.

The Moline Daily Dispatch announces that Rev. J. R. Clemens has been selected as the orator of the Memorial Day exercises.

The question agitating several southern states is how to suppress the Negro vote without coming in contact with the laws of the general government.

The Iowa State Bystander is the only Afro-American Republican paper in Des Moines and Iowa.

not the welfare of the state and the Negro race at heart. They simply want something to talk about. We need men of action if we would rise.

There is clean and friendly contest going on for the governorship of Iowa. Senator Harsh's friends have introduced a new feature in this canvass by the organization of Harsh clubs.

Too many Negroes forget that they are Republicans or Democrats or Populists or anything else until just before the legislature meets.

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In one hand the prospective groom carried a marriage license, which contained the names of August Rohner and Maria Soss.

"But why are you in such haste?" asked Justice Davy.

"Oh, all right," answered the court, as his face took on a deep scarlet hue.

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence to Iowa State Bystander. U. S. Jones, of Albia, was a visitor in the city over Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Meadows.

At a late hour last Wednesday night fire broke out in Mrs. Gilbert's boarding and chop house on Second and Green streets.

Rev. E. T. Meadows occupied Rev. Taylor's pulpit last Sunday morning and delivered an able discourse to an appreciative congregation.

The Adelphi literary society met last Thursday evening and discussed the silver question.

Rev. E. T. Meadows, of Ottumwa, was in the city this week, the guest of Rev. Fox and family.

Services at the Christian tabernacle were well attended Sunday, both morning and evening.

Rev. L. J. Phillips, of Clinton, was a visitor at the parsonage last Sabbath.

Miss M. Humphrey has been suffering for the past week with nervous prostration.

SOCIETY TO BLAME.

The country has been shocked by tragedies in various parts of the United States—San Francisco, Detroit, Kentucky and Louisiana.

There will be a grand and enthusiastic Republican love-feast given by the Young Men's Colored Republican Club at the court house next Wednesday evening, May 15.

There is a man in this city who is alleged to be a doctor. He came from a rebel state and is unconstructed.

A new society has been organized called "St. Paul's Willing Workers."

As an improvement to an already fine train service to eastern and southern points, the Rock Island & Peoria Railway has added a new train.

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NEWTON NOTES.

Madames Hayes and Carter are on the sick list.

Miss Allen is delighted with the city. Jimmie Tubbs and Fred Miller were down on the Centras far as Murfee and walked two miles over to the farm of Mrs. G. A. Brown on a visit last Friday.

Leslie Washington, who was a former resident of this place, made a short visit in the city last week.

The "Boone Giants," a newly organized base ball team, were defeated in their initial game by a Boonesboro team.

Rev. Jones, of Kansas, City, is in the city this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin.

The young ladies' class of the A. M. E. Sabbath school will give a social Thursday evening at Mrs. E. C. Thomas's, on Eighth street.

Rev. L. J. Phillips is expected to fill the pulpit of the A. M. E. church next Sunday, which will be the trustees' rally.

Miss Etta Davis has assumed her duties at school.

GERMS OLD AGE.

A few years ago an Italian bacteriologist proclaimed that he had discovered the "germ of old age."

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E. T. PEIRCE.

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