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### CITY NEWS

Smack! Smack! Smack your lips! Call for Hardings ice cream. Made every day at, 702, 9th St. \$1.00 gets a gallon. Phone, 617.

Say, if you all want the best coal, order it of Redhead, at the Coal Palace, Sixth avenue.

Van Ginkle Coal Co. Best, brightest burning in the city.  
101 Court Ave Phone 124.

Chester Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wood, is very sick this week.

William Callender has been quite sick at his home all week, but he is much better at this writing.

Mrs. E. T. Banks is improving and is able to sit up a little. Her many friends will be glad to hear that she is regaining her health again.

It is observed that while republicans are advocating the appointment of gold democrats to important places under the administration, the democrats as a rule do not encourage it.

Congressman Hull left for Washington, D. C., last Wednesday, so as to be at his post of duty when congress convenes, and to look after the interest of the Seventh district.

The Kings Daughters of the A. M. E. church, will meet at Miss Josie Rivers next Wednesday afternoon; all are requested to be present. SUSIE NASH, PRES.

All holding invitations to Leap Year Coteries will please note the change of date and hall. At Redmen's Hall, corner Fourth and Court Ave. Dec. 7th.

Mr. James James, one of Muchkinnock, entertaining young men, is making special calls to the capital city. He was here last week. Probably some of our East Side young ladies can tell.

The H. B. S. R. C. met at the beautiful cottage of Mrs. Lewis, after the program was rendered they adjourned to meet at Mrs. J. T. Blagburn instead of Mrs. Clegg. For want of time we could not print the program.

Miss Hattie Mayes of Newton is visiting in our city this week, the guest of Miss Mable Morton.

The Ladies Aid Association Social club met with Mrs. Will Mash. Quite a large number were present. After business a nice lunch was served after which they adjourned to meet with Mrs. K. Williams.

Mrs. Capart of Ottumwa was called to this city by the sickness of her children, Mrs. Wats and Mr. Capart; they are both better at this writing.

Mr. Bland now sees how much more comfortable it is to be a live Congressman than a dead Presidential Candidate.

Mr. J. Silas Harris of Kansas City, the lowly editor of the "New Missouri," will be a candidate for Consul to Santos, Brazil. Mr. Harris is well qualified and a good republican worker. Should Mr. McKinley appoint Mr. Harris it would be a well deserved compliment to the colored people of Missouri.

Preaching at St. Paul A. M. E. church Sunday morning at 10:30 a. m. Subject "Christ, the vine, the branch and God the husbandman." Mid-week prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Teachers bible meeting every Friday evening at 7:30. All are invited.

The Governor office kindly remembered Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coalsen in their twentieth anniversary, with a very beautiful piece of china, as a testimony of the high esteem they have for them.

Read our new ads in this week. Harris, Emery Co., Anderson's china department, also the Golden Rule Clothing store. Give each call before purchasing your Christmas goods.

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT.

St. Paul A. M. E.—Corner Second and Center Streets. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 o'clock; Epworth League at 7 p. m.; preaching at 8 p. m. T. Reeves, pastor.

Baptist—East Second Street—Between Walnut and Court avenue. Service at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 12 m.; services at 8 p. m. C. M. Williams, pastor.

First African Church of Christ—Corner Fourth and Court avenue. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 12 m.; preaching at 8 p. m. Rev. F. Lomack, pastor.

Burns M. E.—East Second and Des Moines street—Preaching at 10:30; Sunday class meeting at 11:15; Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.; preaching at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday. Rev. T. A. Clark, pastor.

## SECRET ORDERS.

North Star Lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M.—Meets First Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall—Corner West Second and Walnut, G. H. Cleggitt, W. M.; J. P. Blagburn, secretary.

Hiram Chapter, No. 7—Meets on Second and Fourth Tuesday in each month at Masonic Hall—Corner Webster, H. P.; G. H. Cleggitt, secretary.

King Solomon Commandery, No. 6—Meets Second and Fourth Thursday in each month at Masonic Hall—Corner West Second and Walnut, M. C.; G. H. Cleggitt, Sec.

Charity Lodge, No. 212, G. U. O. of O. E.—Meets First, Second and Third Tuesday each month at Odd Fellows hall on West Sixth and Walnut streets. D. Burns, N. G.; F. Brown, P. S.

Naomi Court, No. 3—Meets Second Monday in each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. J. H. Shepard, matron; Mrs. Fred Jackson, secretary.

Iowa Chapter, O. E. S.—Meets Third Wednesday in each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. G. H. Cleggitt, matron; Mrs. Mary Bell, secretary.

Mr. Olive Court, No. 4—Meets First Thursday in each month at Masonic hall. Mrs. Susan White, matron; Mrs. Flora Majors, secretary.

Household of Ruth—Meets First and Third Thursday in each month at Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. Harris, M. G.; Mrs. B. J. Holmes, P. S.

## RACE ECHOES.

CLARENDON, ARK., NOV. 18.—The South Arkansas Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church opened this morning, with 300 of the leading colored ministers in the State present. Bishop Wm. B. Derrick, of New York, called the Conference to order. Rev. J. W. Johnson was elected Secretary with Revs. H. S. King G. W. Crump assistants. Joseph Wesley and Augustus Thomas were elected Marshals, and Prof. Charles Stewart, of Chicago, official stenographer.

Hon. C. H. J. Taylor has purchased seventeen acres of land near Deadwood, D. C., with the intention of having the tract up to a park with a handsome pavilion and other accessories.

Lew Johnson's refined minstrels opened the new opera house in Santa Cruz, Cal., Nov. 2nd. Twelve hundred tickets were sold, and hundreds were turned away. They are booked for a return date soon.

Mr. Paul Dunbar, the poet will return to Washington, D. C. December 15th to read in the interest of the Manassas Industrial School. He will be supported by the newly organized female quartette, composed of Madames, Josie Ball, Lula Brooks, Lena McKinney and Miss Hamer. This will be the first public appearance of the quartette.

Catherine Cushman, a colored woman who attained the remarkable age of 116 years, died at Chillicothe, W. V., last week. She was born in Fauquier county, Va., in 1780, was the mother of twelve children one of whom purchased her freedom in 1862 for \$125. She has been entirely blind for thirty years but retained her other faculties until about three months ago.

There are 18,000 Negro voters in Allegheny county, Pa.

The feminine element is terribly in excess in Germany, the women exceeding the men by more than 1,000,000, according to the latest statistics.

The greatest proportionate loss of officers to men in any battle was at the capture of the Redan, where three officers were lost to every twenty-two men.

A slice of common onion rubbed on the spot is a certain cure for a wasp sting. If the sting be in the throat or mouth an onion should be slowly chewed and swallowed.

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The following is a list of those that contributed towards the purchase of the handsome present: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Blagburn, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Birney, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepard, Mrs. H. H. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Banks, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hyde, Mr. Lewis Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fitch, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Morton, Mrs. Lezzy Bell, Miss Fannie Harding, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Humbert, Mr. Jeff Logan, Mr. Douglas Miller, Mr. C. S. Ruff, Mr. J. L. Thompson, Mr. A. L. Bell, J. E. Mosley, Wm. Frazier, Perry Richmond, J. W. Thompson, Jas. Woods, and Harry Hughes.

They all parted about 11 o'clock wishing Mr. and Mrs. Coalsen another twenty years of united happiness.

BOONE NOTES.  
Special Correspondence to The Bystander

Mr. Johnson preached Sunday morning and evening.

A number of girls and boys are taking advantage of the cold weather to go skating. A party is now in order.

Mr. Ewin and wife are the latest arrivals. Mr. Ewin is cook at the Northwestern.

Tuesday evening a mass meeting was held at the church for the purpose of organizing a society for the benefit of the sick and needy of our city. Mr. Chas. Coleman presided.

We are in receipt of the annual report of the Superintendent of the Training school for nurses in the Freedmen's Hospital, at Washington, D. C. There were seventeen graduates in '96. They have five hundred applications for admission; one hundred and thirty-three accepted, fifty-nine on probation. The course of instruction consists of lectures, recitations, and practical work in the