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CITY NEWS

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Mrs. Dr. Lawther spent last Saturday at Marquisville on business.

Rev. J. H. Bundy presiding elder is in our city this week.

Mrs. Frank Blagburn is convalescent at this writing.

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Mr. Frank Knox of Oskaloosa is in our city this week on business.

Miss Zoe Richardson represented the BYSTANDER at Marquisville last Saturday.

and Mrs. E. N. Hyde entertained of their friends for dinner Saturday.

Rev. Noble's sermon on the occasion of the Afro-American in our city.

Learn that Mrs. D. C. Bastfield who has been very dangerously sick is improving a little.

Wonder if the white murders of the Carolinas could give thanks to God for his blessing on them?

Rev. Robt. Rakes preached the sacramental sermon last Sunday at the A. M. E. church.

Mrs. J. E. Meadows has a class in music and desires a few more scholars. Call or write at No. 776 W. 9th St.

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Mr. Walker of Marquisville is trying to organize a brass band here for Des Moines. It is a good idea and should be encouraged.

The Carbondale Fuel Co., of this city can give good steady work to fifty miners. Good miner's houses in their village.

Mr. Jett who has been quite sick was taken to Muchaknock last week accompanied by Mrs. Rhodes of that place is reported some better.

Mrs. G. H. Cleggett left last Saturday evening for Phoenix Arizona her husband will join her in a few weeks quite a number of friends and relatives were at the depot when the train left.

THE BEST PLASTER.

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The Thanksgiving dinner and supper given by the A. M. E. church was a great success, a large number took their meals there and an excellent dinner was served.

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Mrs. Shepard invited the boys in her class to meet her at this office, from here they went to the church where she had the committee to serve the boys with a nice turkey dinner.

The first blizzard of the season struck Iowa last Monday and Tuesday the snow storm was preceded by rain and sleet from five to eight inches of snow fell and the strong North-western wind blow the snow in large drifts.

Mrs. Geo. I. Holt will go to Chicago in a few days where she will meet the Professor where his company has a two weeks engagement. The Professor may discontinue his engagement with the Black Patti Troubadours and return home with his wife.

Kenneth Hamilton our famous East Side foot ballist is the star with his team this season. The East Side High School won from the West Side High School last Saturday in a hard fought game, they also won Thanksgiving game from the Red Oak High School. These victories gives them the championship of four states in the West.

Mr. J. H. Gaines who recently met with the misfortune of loosing his eyesight is improving a little, he can see some from one eye. He wish to thank every one who so generously aided him while at the hospital and especially the young men, he said that he never knew that he had so many friends among both races and sincerely thank each and everyone of his friends.

Married—Miss Mamie Bunch was united in marriage to Charles McKee at the home of the bride, South 5th, Street last Monday evening Nov. 21st, by Mr. Henry McCreavey. They were the recipients of many useful presents, the room was well decorated and supper was served to all present.

Mr. H. B. Burrus recently from Omaha but now of Youngtowna has applied for a patent right on a horse shoe. Mr. Burrus in company with Mr. Penderson called at our office and showed a design of his invention, it is called "The Interchangeable Horse Shoe" it is arranged so that new corks and toes can be put on without taking the shoe off by means of detachable corks and toes it looks practical and we hope will be useful and profitable to the inventor.

A New Book.

"Progress of a Race" or "The Remarkable Advancement of the American Negro," written by H. F. Kletzing, A. M. and W. H. Croghan, A. M., Professor of Clark University, Atlanta, Ga., with introduction by Booker T. Washington, is just out and put in the hands of our worthy citizen, Mr. J. T. Blagburn 379 School street. It is a very interesting and useful, and should go into the homes of every family. Price \$2.25, Morocco binding, and \$1.50 for common binding. For further particulars write or send in your orders by mail—it will only cost 15 cents extra for postage prepaid.

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Dr. and Mrs. Lawther, were callers at this office on Wednesday.

J. F. Blagburn, the president of the P. L. D. Society, has received letters encouraging the movement of an organization for the state.

Mrs. Wm. Callender, has been on the sick list at her home on Mulberry St., this week.

GENERAL ELECTION CONTROLLED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

We favor the framing and passing of a law regulating and controlling our general election laws by the National Government for many reasons; 1st we believe in uniformity of general election laws, 2nd, there should be equality and fairness at all elections, 3rd, in a republican form of government where the people are the chief source of the law, there should be a universal law governing from the head of the government, in as much as the laws made are universal in their application 4th, and last that we will now mention. It would give the government the right to protect every citizen in the exercise of his suffrage. If bands of lawless mobs should attempt to prevent citizens from voting, in the recent elections the necessity of such a law was greatly needed at least in the southern section of our country. It is unfair for some representatives to go to the some body to make laws with men who are not elected by honest ballot men who by bulldozing, intimidating, shooting honest citizens because they wish to vote against them, men who have lied, cheated to be elected and then not even elected to meet honest elected American citizens is a shame against civilization and a mockery of justice and equality. Let the National Government have the regulating and conducting of the general election laws then she alone will be responsible for each election precinct in the United States.

Danger in Colored Oppression.

Many important ends have been achieved in our recent war with Spain. Some people have said that it wiped out sectional hatred and united the North and South together on that broad road of universal brotherhood. We would like to believe so, yet we hardly think so. It may be between the white men of the South and North but not all the people of the North and South. The colored man has won new respect for his race in the trenches of Santiago; from his lips fell no complaint about the government. He acted as only a noble loyal citizen could and now in the face of the new era of fraternity which has dawned and should manifest itself everywhere. But! the startling facts of history show that our vaunted humanity is a mere shadow and a name. When we think of the property destroyed, men and women driven from their own homes and murders committed, men torn asunder by shot and shell, by the inhuman lynchers. A nation should sweep its own house before it cleans other people's houses. What a spectacle for a civilized world to think over. No nation can live long and suffer these great evils to go unpunished. The opportunities and rights of the colored race must not be trampled into dust, because the race will arise some day and with his sable hand shake the pillars of this republic and teach Americans a national lesson, if those cruelties against Negro oppression are not stopped.

DON'T COMPLAIN.

If your name does not appear every time you are away from town or when your friends visit you, or when you entertain company, or when you are to address the literary society, or when you change your boarding place, or when you entertain the club, or when you were at the theater; don't say the paper is no good and that we belong to a certain clique. We know that many things that you think of will look well and we would be glad to print them, come around to the office when you have anything in the way of news, and we will make it as pleasant as possible. It is our aim to publish all the news we can find. Do not expect us to tell what is in your mind or come to your house or place of business every day. Stop your complaining and help us to get the news.

The contest for United States Senator has begun.

James A. Lyon the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Ninth District claims that the Republican party left him, there is no doubt about the Republicans of his district leaving at the last election.

Louisiana has 265,000 voters, at the last election 33,000 voters were cast the rest must be disfranchised.

Now is the time for the Republican Congress to redeem its pledge by legislation that will make it possible for every American citizen to vote and have his vote honestly counted.

We will expect that our delegation in Congress to work and vote for such a law as will give the colored voters the same protection in the Carolinas, as his brother in Iowa has.

It was considered one of the blackest as well as cowardly crime when Spain allowed her soldiers to murder prisoners, what will Congress say about the killing of innocent colored people by those brutes in South Carolina.

Keep Quiet

and use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for all pains of the stomach and all unnatural looseness of the bowels. It always cures.

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We notice in one of the leading white daily papers where they have interviewed with J. C. Dancer collector of customs, at the Port of Wilmington, N. C., and he says all the trouble in Wilmington was caused by Mr. Manley's article. Mr. Dancer said he with other colored men called and tried to get Manley to retract the article. Mr. Dancer may know some things about the South, but he cannot make us believe that the article alone was the cause. The white brutes are murderers and are to blame. They have committed an unpardonable sin and are now trying to get a few Negro office holders to help exonerate them from the shame of the world. We are surprised at Mr. Dancer's article, yet there are always some Negroes that white men can use,

The miners of Polk county has called a mass meeting to be held at the Baptist church, School and B streets, to consider the recent action of the South Carolina affair. It will be held at one o'clock Sunday.

In the big foot ball game Thanksgiving day between Drake and Grinnell, Drake won by a score of 18 to 16. It was an interesting and close played game.

DIED—Mr. Ed. Johnson of Tenth and Scott streets died very suddenly last Monday, from heart trouble.

It was a great shock to his many friends, as Mr. Johnson had recently married Miss Rosa Terry. He was a hard working young man and well liked. The funeral services was held at the East side Baptist church.

MUCHAKINOCK NEWS.

Miss Bertha Perkins and Blanche White were in Oskaloosa Wednesday.

Mrs. Mamie Bunch and daughter, Vivian returned Wednesday from an extended visit to Colfax and Des Moines. J. M. Sears went to Va. this week on account of the illness of his father.

Messrs. Green, Willis, Williams and Drew were Oskaloosa visitors Sunday.

Mrs. M. Rhodes and son Willie spent Sunday in Ottumwa.

The M. C. Band rendered several selections at the House Hold Ruth's Anniversary Friday evening.

Lewis London and Lee Jones were Ottumwa visitors Sunday.

OSKALOOSA NEWS.

Mrs. Mitchell Mosley who has been spending the summers at Mt. Pleasant, returned home Saturday.

Mr. Ed. Good of Grinnell was seen on our streets last week.

Oskaloosa was visited by a Dakota blizzard last Monday which many people bring forth their last winter coats and for spaces which have been stored away.

The A. M. E. church will begin a series of protracted meetings in the near future.

The Masquerade Ball Wednesday night promises to be one of the leading events of the season.

Boys get your guns and tinpans ready and lay in a good supply of powder, Henry Derry has come to the conclusion that double blessedness is preferable to single cursedness and is on the verge of taking into himself a wife. We wish them many happy years together.

The revival meetings that is now in progress at the Baptist church is having quite an effect on the people and hope it will continue.

NEWTON NOTES.

Messdames Hale and Lewis spent Sunday with relatives in Colfax.

Mr. Jason Green served an opossum dinner to a few friends last Sunday.

Mr. L. M. Conter has returned from his visit in New Sharon.

Sunday Nov. 27, will be quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church.

Emma Lewis has been quite ill but is rapidly recovering.

The Christian Endeavor Society has been re-organized with Miss Josie Whitsett as president.

Mr. Fred Green was taken quite ill last Tuesday and his condition has been quite alarming, at present he is some better.

Rev. Ford was in Colfax Sunday.

Mr. John Hayes came down from Comp McKinley to spend Sunday with relatives.

Several of our young people have received invitations to the dancing party to be given by the Five Step Club in Des Moines the 28th.

CLINTON ITEMS.

The members of Bethel A. M. E. church responded royally to Rev. Tillman's appeal for material for the Thanksgiving dinner.

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HONORABLE C. T. HANCOCK



With this issue we present to our readers a man who six months ago was but little known in the political world. Yet to day he is the hero of the magnificent republican majority, recently achieved in Iowa. Mr. C. T. Hancock of Dubuque, who was selected by the Republican Central Committee about three months ago while in convention at Dubuque, to be the chairman of the State Central Committee this year, made no mistake in their selection. As Mr. Hancock, though a stranger to many of the politicians, yet he organized the state according to his original ideas and introduced new methods and tactics that added largely to the large republican majority. He and his able assistants made the best managers that the party has had for several years. Mr. Hancock is a thorough, energetic business young man, a hard working republican, kind and courteous to all. He is in the mercantile business in Dubuque with his father. He made many friends while in the Capital City during the campaign.

AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.

Speak well of your friend, of your enemy, say nothing. He who says what he likes will hear what he does not like. A man's manners are the mirror in which he shows his portrait. If cheerfulness knocks for admission, we should open our hearts wide to receive it, for it never comes inopportunistly. Learning is either good or bad according to him that has it—an excellent weapon, if well used; otherwise, like a sharp razor in the hands of a child. Life is no idle dream, but a solemn reality based on and encompassed by eternity. Find out your work, and stand to it; the night cometh when no man can work. All brave men are brave in initiative, but the courage which enables them to succeed where others dare not even attempt is never so potent as when it leads to entire self-forgetfulness. Those who despise fame seldom deserve it. We are apt to undervalue the purchase we cannot reach, to conceal our poverty the better. It is a spark which kindles upon the best fuel, and burns brightest in the bravest breast. Not unremembered is the hour when first friends met. Friends, but friends on earth, and therefore dear; sought oft, and sought almost as oft in vain, yet always sought, so native to the heart; so much desired and coveted by all. Human happiness has no perfect security but freedom, freedom none but virtue, virtue none but knowledge has any vigor of immortal hope except in the principles of the Christian faith and in the sanctions of the Christian religion.

ALBIA NEWS.

Mrs. O. Marshall is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Della Davis accompanied Miss Henrietta Jones on her mail route to Bluff Creek Saturday afternoon.

The A. M. E. Sunday School and the Literary Club will entertain at the city hall on Thanksgiving an interesting program has been prepared by the chairman and secretary of both departments. All are invited to attend.

The Literary Society organized in our city on last Thursday evening has for the President Rev. R. H. Williamson; Secretary, Miss May Davis; Treasurer, Mr. S. Franklin; choister, Henrietta Jones; assistant secretary Della Davis; Sergeant at Arms, Mr. Z. Butler; Miss Henrietta Jones as critic and Mrs. R. H. Williamson chaplain.

In the absence of the pastor on next Sunday evening the A. M. E. Sunday School will furnish a short programme for the entertainment of the people.

AT WILMINGTON.

For liberty they fell! While solemn dirges swell And toll their funeral knell Let us the story tell Of Negroes brave: Long crushed by slave's pelf Manhood asserts itself, Inspired by suffrage's right Black heroes nobly fight And find a grave! As patriots they died! Let us whate'er betide O'er all our dear land wide With the same comel pride Our rights defend Until this christian land And white-winged peace shall reign Within our loved domain From end to end!

CLAIRINA NEWS.

Rev. J. P. Jones and wife expects soon to leave for the Sandimango Islands and it is with regret of the many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Jones that they have to see them leave our city.

Miss Izola Knight entertained the T. I. C. Club last Friday afternoon at her home.

Owing to the absence of the pastor of the A. M. E. church last Sunday the pulpit was occupied by Rev. Anderson Sunday morning and evening. Rev. J. Jones held services last Sunday in Hedford Iowa.

The Literary was well attended last Monday at the Second Baptist church and an interesting program was rendered. [Last Week's Correspondence]

Mrs. A. Christmas of Bedford is visiting relatives and friends in our city this week.

Mr. Bud Martin of Creston visited a few days in our city last week.

Mrs. Mattie Brown received a telegram last Sunday announcing that her brother Rev. Jones was very sick and Monday morning left for his home in Tonganoxie, Kan.

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