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IOWA'S LEADING COLORED PAPER.

CITY NEWS

Mrs. Annie Lobbins is quite sick at her home on Fifth street.

S. B. Johnson of Leon is in the capital city this week.

RAY & HARKINS, 1007 Center St. the best place to buy coal.

Mr. N. McClellan of Webster City arrived in our city this week.

Isham's Octor ons at the Grand today and Saturday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Roy served a very elaborate New Year's dinner to their family.

Rev. P. S. Irvin of Chariton is in the city as a candidate for janitor in the oak room.

Mr. G. W. Grinnell is in the city working for a position in the oak room.

Mr. Jones, a bright young man, is a candidate for janitor in the oak room.

Mr. Woods of Marshalltown, a witness, passed through our city on route to St. Louis.

Mr. Carter of Chariton is in the city as a candidate for janitor in the oak room.

Mr. H. Woodson of Mchakinoek is in the city as a candidate for janitor in the oak room.

Mr. Webster City is in the city as a candidate for janitor in the oak room.

Mr. Richardson, who has been sick, is worse at this writing and his friends are not permitted to visit him.

Mr. Smith of Ottumwa is in the city and will remain indefinitely.

Mr. Miner of Omaha came to our city Monday with the intention of staying here sometime. He is now at the Savery.

Mr. Turner, who was in our city last week, returned to the city from Dixon Ill. He is an artist and is writing a book on the life of Lincoln. He may remain here for some time.

Mr. Colson of Burlington arrived in our city this week to visit his family on Second and Grand streets.

Mr. H. H. Hooker entertained our city Sunday Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Carter, Albia and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shepard of this city. A very pleasant party was had by all.

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Get your winter coal at 1007 Center street. Iowa 'Phone 255.

The H. B. S. will meet at Mrs. Warlocks January 11. The following programme will be rendered: Quotations from Ralph Waldo Emerson, Summary of Emerson's essays, Mrs. Smith; Music Mrs. Lewis; Current Events, Mrs. Palmer; Progress of the Race Mrs. Wilburn; History, Mrs. Smith; Reading from Emerson, Mrs. Banks; Oriele, Mesdames Lewis and Wilburn.

Lord's Day Services at First African Baptist Church—Rev. S. E. Washington of St. Paul, Minn., formerly Missionary to Africa will assist Rev. Mrs. Lena Mason in a series of evangelistic meetings at this church, beginning January 10th—will preach at 11:00 a. m.; Sunday School 2:30 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. 7:00 p. m. at 8:00 sermon by Rev. Joseph Underwood, subject "The Gift of the Holy Ghost," after which the ordinance of baptism will be administered to several candidates.

Programme of song service at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Sunday Jan. 7, at 7:30 p. m. Organ Voluntary; "The Lord is My Shepherd," Choir; "By the Rivers of Babylon," Choir; Prayer, Rev. F. J. Peterson; "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," Choir; Reading, Selected, Mrs. Sanford; "O for a Thousand Tongues," Choir; "I Will Exalt Thee," Choir; Brief Address, Subject Character, Jno. H. Rogers; Trio, "O Lamb of God," Mesdames J. F. Blackburn, Wm. Coalson and Geo. I. Holt; "Stand up for Jesus," Choir; "Cast Thy Bread," Choir; Offertory; Announcements etc.; Benediction. Mrs. Coalson Organist; Geo. I. Holt Director.

When in Mchakinoek, Iowa stop at MRS. ADDIE JOHNSON'S RESTAURANT for good meals or short orders; also Ice Cream. Prompt attention given to all orders.

A NOVEL ATTRACTION.

It is one that will receive with thorough appreciation in John W. Isham's Octoroons Company. (Entered by numerous imitations.) This organization comprises the best colored talent in existence. They will open with a program of such excellence, as to invite every man, woman and child to witness and listen. As a matinee entertainment, it cannot be excelled, for every feature is such as any child may witness without disapproval of a careful parent, and in its opening there is so much amusement and novelty as to claim the interest at once, while the olio is the strongest ever seen in this city, headed by Miss Belle Davis, who was the exponent of coon songs, cannot be equalled. Miss Davis was the feature at Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre, New York City, for 10 weeks early in the season. There are plenty of comedians, dancers and singers. The closing feature of the program will be a treat to all lovers of music, as it is devoted to operatic selections. But if those who delight in the jollity of life find diversions in the beginning of this varied program, those who feel in the grand music of high opera find grand floods of delight in the close. Selections "rom gems of old and new masters are rendered in a manner beyond adverse criticism. The Octoroons number 40 people strong, and will be seen at the Grand Opera House Friday and Saturday, January 5th and 6th. Matinee Saturday afternoon.

IMPROVED TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN POINTS ON THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE AND SAINT LOUIS, VIA DES MOINES AND WAHABH R. R.

By recent change in time on the Wahabsh R. R., the trains of that company now connect with the C & W in both directions, and afford the favorable schedule given below in condensed form, and which should enable you to increase your sales to points on the Wahabsh R. R., between Des Moines and St. Louis, Mo., via Moulton, Kirksville and Moberly. Southbound—Lv. Minneapolis..... 7:10 A. M. " St. Paul..... 7:40 " " Elmore..... 12:45 P. M. Ar. Eagle Grove..... 3:00 Lv. Hawarden..... 10:10 A. M. Ar. Eagle Grove..... 3:05 P. M. Jewell Jct..... 4:15 Lv. Merville..... 7:15 A. M. Lv. Sioux City..... 10:05 A. M. Lv. Onawa..... 11:10 Lv. Jewell Jct..... 8:10 P. M. Ar. Des Moines..... 9:10 P. M. Lv. Des Moines..... 6:00 A. M. Ar. St. Louis..... 7:00 A. M.

The Northbound service is equally convenient, train leaving St. Louis at 9:00 p. m., arriving Des Moines 8:30 a. m., leaving Des Moines 9:00 a. m., arriving Sioux City 5:30 p. m., Merville 8:35 p. m., Hawarden 7:00 p. m., St. Paul 7:05 p. m. and Minneapolis 8:15. The Wahabsh Co., runs through sleeping cars between Des Moines and St. Louis in both directions daily. W. B. KNISKERN, G. P. & T. A.

REV. REEVES WRITES

Through the columns of the Bystander I send words of encouragement and greetings to the S. S. Normal workers of the St. Paul District A. M. E. church. A systematic Bible study, such as you have undertaken and I am proud to have it to say, are making headway which has not been presented to such extent by our S. S. workers hitherto, and while you have not accomplished so much as you would like as yet, it is gratifying to me to think that you have essayed to put your hands to the plow to not let go, I trust, until He who stands ever ready to reward the faithful shall say, "You have done enough, come up higher." Both the individual church and S. S. worker are beginning to see the need of this work. Each church member sees that his church has to meet the demands of the public and that this demand is ever growing larger and more perplexed. The numbers of the needy of the congregation of his church is increasing. The intelligence thereof growing, and he feels it to be his moral and religious duty to help his church fill nobly and well its great mission. But he knows that he must be equipped before he can do his part of the work. Each Sunday school superintendent finds him or herself confronted each Sabbath with a school demanding more of him or her than was demanded of a superintendent of our Sunday school a decade ago. Each teacher of a class in our Sunday school today can readily see that he is called upon to teach the Bible to people that are inquiring about its truths and insisting on the teachers explaining and unfolding these to them.

Not the individual Sunday school and church worker alone sees the need of the Sunday school normal work or systematic Bible study, but the church recognizes the fact that if it is to do its part on earth it must see to it that the individual member is trained to love and revere the work and name of the church and to be diligent and wise in the study of the Bible and of its great truths. The "front line" or larger Sunday school which is knowing itself better and which is being better known by others is no longer satisfied with the status quo. A "Sort of an institution for the mere moral entertainment of children and some grown up people in a kind of an indefinite manner for an hour on Sunday" but the larger or front line Sunday schools insist or contends for the dignified title of a "Bible school; a Gospel helper." It is the office and aim of the front line Sunday school to assist the pastor in the promulgation of God's word and in the conversion of the world to God. The front line Sunday school has a life "ipisito" which have with in the last few years evolved the Sunday school normal, a work which is destined ere long to reveal the true worth of systematic Bible study in both church and Sunday school work. The qualifications which both Sunday school and normal workers should have, all of us are called, no one left out. Now each one that has not been needs to be lightning struck, dress burned up, emptied of self, filled with the holy spirit, sweetened by the love of God; then he will have the go in him. Next the blessed book—let each one be a faithful student of it. Find its varied and costly treasures, its geography, its ethnology, its costume, and times of its people, its history, its doctrines, and its poetry and assimilate these in his life and then ask God to make him wise in his teaching and application of the same.

I hope that there will be some ready for graduation by the next session of our convention which is to be in Keokuk, Iowa, next June. I expect this especially of Mchakinoek and of my former class of old St. Paul in Des Moines. Last but not least is my present class of Bethel in Keokuk. This class meets on Tuesday evenings of each week and the meetings are usually very helpful. I will refer to our Christmas meeting. The lesson was in Ezra and Nehemiah, and it was well handled. Accompanying this was my No. 9, which Mr. Wilson drew almost complete from memory and it was well he did for there were the eyes of Miss F. Jackson, Miss Lowe, Mrs. Reader, Woodard Lowe and others critically watching to see if he put this sea, that lake and tribe in their proper places. We use the "Complete Normal Manual," cost only 25 cents. It is published by Fleming H. Revell & Co., 663 Washington St., Chicago, Ill. I am the friend and co-laborer with you all and am equally interested in you. Please drop me a line about your work. I will drop you from time to time my method of handling this book in class work. It may stop some. Remember that the Sunday school normal is here to stay and is going and growing. I am very truly your brother and worker in the Lord's vineyard. T. Reeves, President S. S. Normal, St. Paul's District A. M. E. church, 1528 Morgan St., Keokuk, Iowa.

COLORED CANDIDATES

A list of the many colored candidates for the Iowa Assembly. The 28th General Assembly of Iowa will meet next Monday but the caucus for various offices for its organization will be held Saturday. As usual there are a large number of candidates, yet not so many as is generally seen, owing perhaps to the prosperous condition of things all over Iowa. The all absorbing question now is the U. S. senatorship and speakership. Therefore but little time is given to the minor offices, so it is indeed hard for any candidate to tell how his chances are. We are sorry that no colored man had the backbone enough to come out for the clerical and higher positions than mere janitors. J. D. Keeler, formerly of our city, but now of Mason City, H. R. Wright formerly of Marshalltown, but now of Iowa City in the University Law College, J. L. Thompson formerly of Decatur county, now of Des Moines, were the only successful ones that aspired and secured clerical positions. As an independent individual we are too easily satisfied with menial places. The list of candidates for senate clerk room are: W. T. Jones, of Mahaska county; W. T. Jones, of Poweshiek county; Chas. Combs, of Webster county; Rev. P. S. Irvin, of Lucas county; Jeff Logan, of Polk county. In the house there are: Burt Jones, of Monroe county; Rev. C. W. Carter, of Lucas county; S. Johnson, of Decatur county; R. N. Hyde, T. S. Ruff, A. Brown, W. L. Tomlin, all of Des Moines.

A NEW BALLAD.

"Sweet Visions of Childhood," is the name of a beautiful ballad with words and music by Ernest M. Buckner, of Oskaloosa, Iowa. It is a beautiful sentimental song as the words are so nicely and effectively arranged. The music is grand and inspiring. Mr. Buckner has many natural talents for poetry and music. He is the author of "The South Carolina Colored Swells," "On the Banks of the Grand Mississippi," etc. His address, E. M. Buckner, Box 630, Anamosa, Iowa.

SENATORIAL QUESTION.

The contest for U. S. senator from Iowa is waxing very warm as this week will be the final test. They will go into caucus next week and before another issue of the Bystander we will know who has been chosen. At this writing the contest is very close while the Cummins men seem to be gaining the most, and the speakership contest will determine the senatorship. Representative Eaton is the Cummins candidate for speakership and Dr. Bowen is the Gear man. The Gear men are excited. They have used some very unfair methods to secure votes, the Dr. Eker case, fully explained in the city daily papers, for instance. We know Dr. Eiker and know him to be a Cummins and Eaton man. He is an honorable, capable gentleman, entirely reliable, his word is his bond. He is held in the highest esteem and regard by all who know him. We are inclined to think that the Iowa machine and political bosses will be defeated and Mr. Cummins elected.

OTTUMWA.

Mrs. Chas. Ruff, of Des Moines, is in the city visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. B. Jones, of Albia, was an Ottumwa visitor Monday. Mrs. Jennie Harding, of Oskaloosa, has been the guest of Miss Blanche Henderson of this city for the past week. Miss Jessie Gooden, of St. Louis, Mo., formerly of Ottumwa, has returned to this city to reside. Mr. S. Kennedy and sister, of Oskaloosa were in the city Monday attending the K. P. reception. Miss Louise Clay and Brothers, of Des Moines are in the city visiting their gr. a. parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton. Miss Olive Smith departed for Des Moines yesterday to visit friends. Mrs. Crump & daughter, of Hedrick are visiting relatives in this city. Mrs. Jennie Hamilton and Miss Anna Thompson are on the sick list. The entertainment given by the Hobson Dewey Club Thursday was a success both socially and financially. Mr. Shackelford, of Sharsburg has been spending the holidays with his Aunt, Mrs. Mason of South Ottumwa. The entertainment given by the Knights of Pythias in the Armory Hall, New Year's night was largely attended. An excellent programme was rendered. Music was furnished by the K. P. Band of Keb and Wilson's orchestra. The watch contest between Mrs. Gooch of this city and Mr. Hinman, of Keb, resulted in favor of the former. Mrs. Washington, of Keb, and Mrs. G. E. Taylor, of Oskaloosa, were Ottumwa visitors Monday. It is reported that the "wedding bells" are soon to ring in Ottumwa.

MUSCATINE NEWS.

The Christmas entertainment was held Christmas night at the A. M. E. church. The programme consisted of songs, and recitations by the little ones, after which they were treated with candy and nuts. Mr. Samuel Barnes entertained a few of his friends at 4 o'clock dinner Sunday. Dr. and Mrs. P. Tomley entertained in royal style a few of their friends at 8 o'clock dinner on Christmas day. Mr. Spencer Houston has gone to Iowa City to visit his mother. Miss Maud Oasley is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Pearson entertained a number of their friends Christmas. Mrs. Annie Seabrooks is confined at her home with the Quinby. The D. Y. W. Y. K. club will give a concert and cake walk at Alimony Hall Jan. 3. Mr. Rufus Phoenix and Miss Maggie Bradley of Moline, Ill., are visiting at the home of Dr. Tomley on East Seventh St. A number of our people attended watch meeting at M. E. church Sunday evening. Prayer meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Loyd last Thursday. Every colored citizen should begin the New Year by subscribing for the Bystander. Those who have not paid their subscription please have it ready by January 6th, as the agent will collect that day. We urge compliance to the editor of the Bystander on the 10th anniversary as it was in every way a credit to the race.

CLINTON ITEMS.

The holidays with gay festivities are over and every one turns to business as of yore. Rev. P. P. Taylor of Rockford spent the holidays with his family in this city. The Christmas tree and exercises were held on Christmas night. A fair number were in attendance. M. O. Culberson who was confined for some days past by illness is around again feeling much better. The members of Clinton lodge, A. F. & A. M., were entertained on Wednesday evening at the home of Wm. Emerson by the wives of the members of the order. During the evening the matter of organizing an auxiliary in the near future was considered. Miss Jennie Smith who has been visiting Prof. R. D. Smita for a week past returned to her home in Chicago Tuesday morning, where she will be married to Levi Johnson of that city in the afternoon. Put your name on the Bystander subscription list for 1900.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

The well-staffed affair of the season was a brilliant reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Seary, Dec. 29, in honor of Miss H. V. Davis. About thirty-five responded to the invitations and were elegantly entertained. Music was furnished by Messrs Van Camp and Phos. Sadler. The evening was spent in social chat, games and singing. Lunch was served in the dining room in courses. Mrs. Seary was assisted in serving by Misses Ceopatra Van Camp, and Etta Davis. At a late hour each one departed for home being assured that the host and hostess were royal entertainers. We heart of other social events but not knowing the certainty and facts pertaining to them we will not mention them. A fair size audience greeted Miss H. V. Davis at the A. M. E. church on the 28th; she was assisted in the entertainment by Misses Etta Davis, Etta Martin, Miss Flora Roberts and Albert Young. A good many attended watching at the A. M. E. church Sunday night. Messes Mason, Brown and Crump came down from Iowa City Saturday evening, spending a couple of days with us, the guest of Mrs. Seary. The Masons gave a social at their hall the 27th ult. Miss Etta Martin entertained at dinner Monday Misses Crump of Hedrick, Brown of Iowa City, Myrtle Cooper and Emma Oulphant. Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Millegan entertained the young people Monday evening in honor of their son Clyde Washington.

SIoux CITY ITEMS.

Miss Humphry, a Deaconess of Des Moines, addressed the gentlemen and ladies club on last Sunday afternoon. Rev. T. A. Clark spent Christmas with his family at Des Moines, returning Friday evening. The Sunday School had their Christmas tree on Monday evening. The tree looked very pretty for which the teachers deserve credit; after the programme was rendered the presents were distributed and light refreshments were served. There was watchmeeting at the church Sunday evening. K. v. Cameron, Washington and Clark preached alternately. The Young Men's meetings are being well attended. There will be song services at the church Sunday evening. The bar which was to be given by the Ladies' Improvement society has been postponed indefinitely. The society will meet with Mrs. A. Morgan on Thursday evening. The Xmas number was all right. Mr. and Mrs. D. Whiddon entertained a few of their friends at dinner Christmas at the residence of Mrs. A. Morgan. The officers and teachers of the Sunday School will be installed Sunday evening. Mrs. E. A. Comley and son Henry, vice the guest of their former mother and father Mr. and Mrs. Hens. Mr. Comley will join them shortly and spend the winter here. Mrs. M. Dandy and children of Yancton, S. Dak. are the guest at the Askew home. What is agitating the minds of the people to day is, what century are we living in? Is there no one wise enough to unravel this great question and settle it to the satisfaction of the people. We have gotten our dates badly mixed. The Pleasant Hour club gave a grand ball and cake walk at W. O. W. Hall last Tuesday evening. January and only a light dusting of snow on the ground, a wonderful contrast to last January. DAVENPORT REPORT. The Cantata given in The Band Hall December 26th by the Ladies Sewing Circle was quite a success. Mrs. Hughes had charge of the program and should be congratulated on the way that she arranged it which was very pleasing to all. The Ladies' Violin Club of the Third Baptist Church kept open doors January 1st at Mrs. Francis Baker's 1120 Iowa St. it was for men only and of course quite a number men including myself attended and had a very pleasant stay, indeed one that will never be forgotten. Rev. M. J. Burton has been called to the pastorate of the Third Baptist Church here and he is here at this writing having a consultation with the officers and members of the church; he leaves for home the last of the week. Mrs. Herrington entertained quite a number of her friends at dinner Sunday, December 31st. Mrs. M. Matthews entertained a host of her many friends at dinner New Year's day. Mr. G. W. Chesterfield has been sick for the past three or four days, but is better at this writing. Miss Cora Visting is very sick at this writing, but hope she will soon recover. Quite a number of people have been waiting for The Bystander to go under so they could rejoice, but we are proud to state that The Bystander's motto is different from other papers that live flitting through in the state and it is still plowing onward. The Davenport Ligar Guard Band has made arrangements to give dances once a week in their band hall Second and Brady streets. Eureka Lodge 3899 Grand United Order of Oddfellows elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter at their last regular meeting: J. T. Mabry, N. G.; M. B. Anderson, V. G.; Chas. Moss, E. S.; Joshua Roberts, P. S.; M. E. Sch. W. C.; M. Matthews, W. T.; Troy Hark, R. P. N. F.; Will Baker, Advocate; Henry McGaw, P. N. G. The third Baptist Sunday School elected the following officers for the year, 1900: J. T. Mabry, Supt.; Mrs. F. Baker, asst. Supt.; Miss Etta Baker, Secretary; Miss Hattie Cleveland, Asst. Secretary; Mrs. Anna Chesterfield, Treasurer; Ray Hughes, Librarian; Lillie Higba Asst. Librarian; Teachers, Rev. M. J. Burton, Mrs. F. Baker, G. W. Chesterfield; other teachers will be appointed later. IOWA CITY BRIEFS. Mr. E. A. Carter has returned to resume his studies in State University after a holiday visit with parents and friends at Mchakinoek. Miss Bessie Mason has returned from a very pleasant visit with friends at Keokuk and Burlington. Mr. Chas. Thompson has returned from his home in Louisa county; he will represent the State University Collegiate department. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wright spent Christmas with relatives and friends at Cedar Rapids and Marshalltown. Mr. Walter Martin is visiting in Cedar Rapids.

MISS HENRIETTA JONES HAS RETURNED TO S. U. I. FROM HER HOLIDAY VISIT AT THE HOME IN ALBIA.

Messrs. W. T. and W. G. Patterson are visiting relatives in Peoria, Ill. Misses Cora Brown, Effie Mason and Georgia Crump visited in Cedar Rapids New Year's. Mr. Haywood Short returns Sunday morning from a visit with relatives and friends in California, Mo. Miss Georgia Crump, of Hedrick, is visiting with Miss Effie Mason. Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis will give a recital here in the near future. She will be the guest in the Mason home while here.

MR. G. WATES, OF FISHVILLE, WAS A SUNDAY CALLER ON MRS. STEEL.

Mr. Clay, of Fishville, was hit by a train Saturday evening. It was said he was intoxicated, but he was not badly injured. Mr. S. B. Steel purchased a turkey Saturday which weighed 27 pounds. Miss Maggie Alexander was entertained by a host of friends Sunday afternoon.

GRAMA JONES IS ON THE SICK LIST.

There was a cantata here Christmas given by the young people. It was well attended. The Young People's Union met in the Baptist church. Mr. Hoard Steel, of Colfax, made a visit to his home Christmas and left for Colfax Wednesday. A large number of young people attended the ball in Oskaloosa Monday night, and on their way home the rig broke down and they had to walk nearly two miles back to Oskaloosa. Miss Neal, of Montezuma, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Smith.

THE HOME OF MRS. ALEXANDER WAS WELL CROWDED WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, WHERE THEY WERE ENTERTAINED BY MUSIC FURNISHED BY FRANK JOHNSON.

Mrs. S. Harris will leave for St. Paul Monday night. Mrs. J. Johnson has been on the sick list but is convalescent. Mr. V. M. Burgess is building a new hall.

ALBIA NEWS.

Former residents of Albia, who were home during the holiday week were Mr. and Mrs. Bitton Thomas and baby, of Mchakinoek; Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Thomas, and little girl, of Mchakinoek; Miss Cora Thomas, Mr. Will Williams, Miss Sula Jones, of Mchakinoek; Mr. John Thomas, Miss Balah Canada, of Oskaloosa; Mrs. T. L. Griffith, of Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Martin, of Garden Grove. Mrs. Jameson, of Oskaloosa, made a visit to Albia a couple of days last week. Mr. Bert Jones visited in Oskaloosa this week. Mrs. Josie Meadows entertained at one home of her mother on last Wednesday evening Miss Lula Jones, Mr. Will Williams, of Mchakinoek; Mrs. Carrie Griffith, and Mrs. Lou Miller, Mrs. Reese Underwood, Miss May Davis and the family. The evening was spent with music and conversation. A very enjoyable time was had. The minister of the A. M. E. church has been quarantined for the last two weeks, so we have had but very little church services. Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Jones are visiting in Des Moines this week. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Butler visited a few days of this week in Newton. Lawyer Woodson visited in Albia and vicinity this week. Mrs. Ward entertained a few of her friends at dinner Saturday afternoon in honor of Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Griffith.

LATHROP, MO., NEWS.

Mr. Wm. Austin, of this city, departed Monday for a week's visit with relatives at Peoria, Ill., Kan. Prof. Frank E. Brown, who is a successful terra of school teacher, Mo., left Sunday evening for Maysville, Mo., to see his best girl. Mr. M. T. Clark and Mrs. Anna Mabion are visiting relatives at Excelsior Springs this week. The rhetorical exercise at Lathrop school on last Friday proved to be quite interesting and a large number of visitors were present. The leading feature of the exercise was a debate, "Resolved, That the U. S. should adopt penny postage. Miss Myrtle Scott and Mr. Charles Craig chose the affirmative and Miss Flossie McGruder and Mr. Thomas Allen the negative. The discussion resulted in favor of the negative. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Austin delightfully entertained a number of their friends at dinner last Sunday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. L. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Whitsett, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Whitsett, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bogus, J. Hamm, principal of Lathrop school; Prof. T. E. Brown, of Moberly, Mo.; Mr. D. Devers, Mr. John Mott, deputy city marshal. The table was laden with all the delicacies of the season, and our genial host and hostess asked us to help ourselves and we did not decline. J. Hamm.

NEWTON NOTES.

Rev. Bastfield was called to Colfax last Monday to preach the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson's little son. Mrs. Elia Mayes has been dangerously ill with the grippe, but is slightly improved at this writing. Mr. James Hayes has secured the position of second cook at Mr. Colium's restaurant. Miss Mary Wright, of Chariton, is spending the holidays with her cousins, the Misses Green. Mesdames Lee, of Des Moines, are spending the holidays in our city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayes. Mr. Henry Wilcox, of Des Moines, is visiting his mother, Mrs. John Hale. Mr. George Lucas, of Ewart, spent Sunday with Newton friends. The A. M. E. S. S. gave a splendid Christmas entertainment Monday evening. The programme was interesting. The principal feature was a fishing party, which afforded an endless amount of enjoyment for the children. Mr. Marion Mayer is receiving many compliments upon his cornet solos. Marion is a young man who should receive encouragement to continue his musical studies. Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayes entertained a number of their family at an opus dinner on Christmas day. Dinner was served in four courses. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes were royal entertainers and spare no means for the pleasure of their guests. This occasion was one long to be remembered. We hope our friends instead of complaining would hand their items to the Bystander agent, as it is impossible to hunt for them. John Miller entertained Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller at New Year's dinner. Mr. U. J. Tolliver, of Rock Island, spent the holidays with friends in this city.

BYSTANDER ENTERTAINED A NUMBER OF HIS FRIENDS AT DINNER SUNDAY.

Miss Hays, Mayor is returning to make an extended visit with friends in Nebraska. Mr. Wm. Viker, of Davenport, was a Newton visit Saturday.

WANTED—VERSATILE BRIGHT AND CAPABLE MAN TO REPRESENT SALTER 5000 A YEAR AND TRAVEL. POSITION HERE IN NO WAY TO BE COMPROMISED. POSITION INCREASED TO \$10,000 PER YEAR. MAN TO BE SEEN TO BE WORTHY OF THE POSITION. ADDRESS: THE DOMESTIC CIGARETTE CO., CHICAGO.

MISS HENRIETTA JONES HAS RETURNED TO S. U. I. FROM HER HOLIDAY VISIT AT THE HOME IN ALBIA.

Messrs. W. T. and W. G. Patterson are visiting relatives in Peoria, Ill. Misses Cora Brown, Effie Mason and Georgia Crump visited in Cedar Rapids New Year's. Mr. Haywood Short returns Sunday morning from a visit with relatives and friends in California, Mo. Miss Georgia Crump, of Hedrick, is visiting with Miss Effie Mason. Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis will give a recital here in the near future. She will be the guest in the Mason home while here.

MR. G. WATES, OF FISHVILLE, WAS A SUNDAY CALLER ON MRS. STEEL.

Mr. Clay, of Fishville, was hit by a train Saturday evening. It was said he was intoxicated, but he was not badly injured. Mr. S. B. Steel purchased a turkey Saturday which weighed 27 pounds. Miss Maggie Alexander was entertained by a host of friends Sunday afternoon.