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MAON CITY, MO. WESTERN COLLEGE NOTES.

Re-organizing has been closed now, and having a success as all students out of Christ have been brought into the fold.

The quarantine which hung over Maon has been raised and the school all reopened.

Misses Daisy Bell and Lucie T. Washington are indisposed.

The Sunday School of the Second Baptist Church will give an entertainment Friday.

Easter is close at hand and is realized by the young ladies.

Miss L. L. Washington went to her home in Liberty, Mo., last week to attend the wedding of her sister.

Miss Etta Null is indisposed.

Mrs. E. L. Scruggs gave her second reception to her musical students last week.

The Athenium of the W. B. C. rendered a very nice program after which refreshments were served.

The Y. W. C. A. rendered a nice program, Sunday.

Born, Sunday March 18, to Dr. and Mrs. Carriona, a girl.

Miss Pearl Saunders returned from her home in Bucklin.

The Athletic Association met last week and elected the following officers: T. B. Anson, Shelbina, Manager, H. E. Johnson, Fayette, Captain of number 1, J. C. Evans, Plattsburg, Captain of team number 2; they mean to defeat every team that they cross bats with this year.

Mr. Chas. B. Johnson, Class 1900, returned from his home in Callon, Thursday.

Mr. R. Chinn, Edgar and Eugene Smith Dr. Carrion, and Dr. Sexton visited the college this week.

Rev. Thompson, pastor of the Second Baptist Church preached an able sermon Sunday.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Quite a number of persons attended the fifth anniversary of the Ladies Industrial Circle last Thursday evening at the A. M. E. Church; each lady present was given a souvenir. A neat program was rendered after which refreshments were served and every one seemed to have a real good time.

Mrs. Ben Hawkins most elegantly entertained the members of the Choir and a few others last Tuesday evening a bountiful repast was served in three courses, much to the delight of the following: Madames Minnie Brown, Flora Roberts, Mattie Wade, Belle Van Camp; Messrs. Geo. Wade, H. Brown, J. Van Camp, Rev. Bass, and R. Boney.

The Easter Chorus will practice each Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Mrs. Raspberry is convalescent.

Through special invitation the A. M. E. Choir rendered some excellent music at the Sunshine Mission Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Bass very ably addressed the meeting and received many favorable comments on his remarks.

Mrs. Archie Price is no better at this writing.

The Teacher's meeting will be held Thursday evening with Mrs. Della Marshall. The Sunday School will soon commence rehearsing for Easter.

Mrs. Harry Matin leaves this week for a visit to her parents at Bedford, Iowa. Mrs. Forester is quite ill at her home on Oak Hill.

We learned from good authority that there will be a quite wedding on Ninth Avenue this week.

The parties who placed the Dynamite on the steps of St. Paul's Church, white, about a couple of weeks ago, have been captured and put under arrest; they were several Bohemian men.

OTTUMWA.

A pleasing event in colored society was the celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Smith's twentieth wedding anniversary which occurred last evening at their home on Center Avenue; there was a number of Ottumwa's foremost white families represented and the affair was a success in every way. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are among Ottumwa's most highly esteemed colored people and have resided in the city for twenty years. They received many beautiful and costly presents. Elegant refreshments consisting of turkey, chicken, salad, ice cream, cake, and other delicacies were served; the floral decorations were carnations; Mr. and Mrs. Smith were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Z. Taylor, Mrs. B. Gatrell, Misses May Campbell and Messrs. J. Weeks, Wells, Fowler those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams of Agency, and Mrs. A. G. Jackson of Sigourney, Iowa.

DAVENPORT REPORT.

Mr. Fred Wright of Sterling, Ill. is in our city and he is stopping at 106 E. Pleasant St. and expects to make this his home if he is successful in getting work.

The Executive Board of the Iowa Baptist Association had a very prosperous session here last week and they seemed to like our city very much.

William Baker and J. T. Mabry was ordained as Deacons of the Third Baptist Church, March 14, by the executive board assisted by two visiting Ministers.

The ladies and friends of the Third Baptist Church gave a grand reception to the members of the Executive Board and visiting Ministers, March 15; Mrs. H. Applegate was chairman, Mrs. E. J. Sanders was Secretary, Rev. M. J. Burton made the welcome address, and J. T. Mabry was Toast Master. It was held at Mrs. Sarah Allen's 2101 Main St. and when the crowd scattered at 3:30 A. M.

The minister openly declared that it was the grandest reception they had given to such an assembly as this. We treat all alike who will be the next.

Mrs. Galloway entertained the Executive board and several of her friends at her cozy home on W. 17, St. and Mrs. Galloway is noted for being a royal entertainer; it is useless to mention the way they all were entertained; she was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Flora Kibg of Rock Island, Ill. and Miss Susie Carter of this city.

Mr. Bert Chesterfield is reported better and is resting comfortably at his parents, Mr. Mrs. G. Chesterfield on Cherry and High Streets.

Mrs. Hughes gave a St. Patrick reception at her residence 723 1-2 Harrison St.; a crowd was present the prize, which was to be given to the person dressing the greenest was won by Mrs. Willie Busey.

J. T. Mabry, your humble agent and correspondent, is confined at this writing but hopes to be out again in a few days.

Master Cleve Brown expects to make a visit to Muehakinood in the near future to visit father, W. Brown, good luck to you, Master Cleve.

Rev. J. W. Muse preached the ordination sermon and he also filed the Third Baptist pulpit for Rev. Barton all day Sunday.

Messrs. F. Wright and J. T. Mabry were present at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday to hear Rev. Wiard of Fr. Dodge, addressed the young men made one of the finest talks that probably ever fell from the lips of man and it was very highly appreciated.

Rev. E. Roy of Fraser, was appointed State Missionary by the board during their session here.

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A GREAT RUSSIAN.

TOLSTOI BRAVELY AWAILS THE ANGEL OF DEATH.

He is Ready to Go at Any Time--That His Life's Work is Done--Russia is Better Than He Has Lived--Friend of the Poor.

Count Tolstoi is reported to have said recently that he felt the approach of his last hours drawing nigh, and that looking into the future he was conscious of no such thing as the fear of death. All his life Tolstoi has been trying to get at the bottom of things, and while he has changed much from period to period, and expressed his advanced views sometimes more radically than at others, he may well feel now in his seventy-second year that he has accomplished much of permanent value for the world, and that even measured by his own high ideals, his life has been worth the living.

The last twenty years of his career have been very different from the years that preceded them. There came a time when he changed from the pure literary man full of ideas about the right and the wrong and the worthless and the valuable in society, but expressing them always in novels and other forms of a primarily literary nature and began to preach and practice a life of Christianity modeled on the



COUNT TOLSTOI.

New Testament as he interpreted it, far different from the ordinary Christianity of the churches. In his last book, however, "The Resurrection," he has presented in story form the fruits of his life experience of the various types of love. Tolstoi's family was very wealthy at one time, and the estates which he inherited were very large. In his early days, after service in the Crimean war, he lived for a time a wild life in St. Petersburg, revelling in all forms of dissipation. Wearying of it all, he married and settled down, but the more sober he grew the wider he opened his eyes to conditions of social life which he abhorred. After his novels, especially "Kreutzer Sonata," which dealt with moral problems, he wrote works giving his views of Christianity and religion. In the early 80's he was very radical in his mode of life, working daily with his hands, desiring to give his whole property to the poor and encouraging a simple and direct morality in those around him. He was almost intolerant in the vigor of his beliefs, but since then, though he has not changed his ideals, he has respected the mode of life in others in greater degree. Tolstoi has been of the greatest service to the Russian people at many times, and especially in the years of famine in 1891-92. For a time he administered the national relief funds. Despite his radical views, he long held the confidence of the czar. That did not save him, however, from a severe conflict with the holy synod of Russia over his religious views three years ago. The views of Tolstoi about war and his belief in non-resistance are well known, and it has been no surprise to hear from him lately as an ardent friend of the Boers, desirous of the humiliation of England.

A Shabby Looking Peer.

The duke of Norfolk, who has volunteered to resign the position of post-master-general in the British cabinet with the idea of going to the front in South Africa, is one of the richest peers in England, as well as a leading representative of the Roman Catholic religion in the house of lords. He is noted for his kind heart and for his utter disregard for his personal appearance, relates the Chicago Tribune. So far is he from a proud and haughty disposition that he is known by the tenants on his estates as "Uncle Henry." Because of the poor clothes which he wears he has been the victim of some curious and amusing adventures. On one occasion he had engaged to distribute the prizes to the pupils of a convent. Instead of riding to the convent in state, he walked, and was met in the grounds by one of the sisters, who, judging from his appearance that he was an applicant for charity, expressed her sorrow that relief was not distributed on that day.

"I know, sister," said the duke, "but you do distribute prizes, and I have come to distribute them for you."

Naming Denmark's Kings.

Denmark's kings for 384 years have all been named Christian or Frederick. This is not the result of accident. It is the law of Denmark that Christian must be succeeded by Frederick and Frederick by Christian. To attain this, and without the changing of names, in case of death or other reason, every Danish prince, no matter what other names he may receive, always includes Christian and Frederick among them.

DECEIVED THE BRITISHERS.

How a Woman Adventurer Was Able to Play a High Role in London.

The history of Hon. Elizabeth Harriet Griev, who flourished in England in 1773-74, illustrates a favorite method by which the old-time Britishers endeavored to secure snug places. This lady, who said that she was first cousin to Lord North, second cousin to the Duke of Graton, nearly related to Lady Fitzroy and a personal friend of Lord Guilford and Charles James Fox, drove about London in a handsome chariot, with footmen; her chariot stopped at the doors of great houses; she received great people at her own house, notably Charles James Fox; she also condescended to receive smaller people. The latter gave her large sums of money, in return for which she promised them places. One was to be a clerk in the victualling office, one was to be a court waiter; one was to be a clerk in the admiralty; one was to be a "settled tidesman;" another was to have anything that happened to be going. Charles Fox assisted, unwittingly, at spreading the belief in the lady's powers and promises, because he frequently drove to her lodgings, and left his carriage outside for all the world to see. The reason was not friendship, but interest. He, too, received promises. He was at the moment impecunious. The lady promised him a West Indian helress, with \$300,000. He called daily to inquire after his helress with all the eagerness of a young lover. Alas! the helress was never visible; she was even reported to be laid up with smallpox. Her visits were so useful to the Hon. Elizabeth that she actually lent him \$1,500, a step which naturally made him believe more firmly in the West Indian. Of course, when the expectant men found that there was nothing for them they went to court and saw the magistrate. It came out, on investigation, that the lady was not in any sense honorable; that she was not related to any great people; that her history was a mass of lies, and that she was nothing more than an ex-convict recently returned from Virginia. They kept her in prison for a twelvemonth--the delay is not explained--and then banished her for seven years.

HEAVY GUNS DESTROY EARS.

Why So Many Artillerymen Suffer From Defective Hearing.

The stunning report of each gun as it is fired is something that a stranger on the deck of a ship of war will long remember. There is an old saying, "deaf as a post." Now in the English navy this is changed to "deaf as a post captain." No man can go through a long series of gunnery practices without having his hearing seriously affected. Some men put cotton in their ears, but even this precaution does little to deaden the terrible shock. And if the firing of one or two guns has such a shattering power, what would be the effect if the whole armament were in action together? It is impossible to conceive the strain on nerve and senses of the rending concussion. If a visitor watches the firing of one of the monster nine-inch guns and then places himself beside one of the smaller pieces, the report made by the one will not appear much louder than that of the other. The extra distance to the muzzle of the big pieces discounts the sound. The only apparent difference between the two appears to be that the small pieces have a sharper, higher-pitched note, and that the six and nine-inch guns speak with more of a hollowing roar. One piece of advice may be given to any one who finds himself in the neighborhood of a gun in action. The noise will not have nearly the same effect if you are watching the gun as if the crash comes unexpectedly. Unconsciously nature prepares you to resist a shock which is known to be impending.

The Flight of Empress Eugenie.

The true story of the flight of the Empress Eugenie from the Tuilleries will soon be published. It is now in the form of a manuscript left by Dr. T. W. Evans, the American dentist, who accompanied the Empress in her flight to England. Dr. Crane, who aided Dr. Evans in protecting Eugenie and accelerating her flight, says he only awaits a decision of the court before publishing this contribution to French history. The reason why it was not published during Dr. Evans' lifetime is because it deals hard blows at those who deserted the Empress in her hour of trial. Now that most of the chief actors in the drama of 1870 have passed away, the venerable ex-Empress has expressed the wish that this interesting manuscript be published.

An Encounter with a Mad Bull.

A telegram from Paris describes an encounter with a mad bull at Mont de Marsan. A woman was terribly injured, and an officer who went to her assistance with a drawn sword was tossed several yards and badly hurt. A sergeant charged the animal with a fixed bayonet, but was knocked down and trampled upon, being frightfully mangled. The bull then charged the village omnibus, killing both the horses. Several villagers, armed with rifles, at length succeeded in killing it.

Nathan Hale's Schoolhouse.

Nathan Hale's schoolhouse in New London, Conn., is attracting considerable attention at the present moment. The old house where he taught after leaving Yale College until the breaking out of the revolution, and where he made a patriotic speech to his scholars just before he joined the Continental Army, is still standing, and the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution proposes to purchase it and restore it to its former condition.