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CITY NEWS

Window Glass—Dawson's Hardware.

Mrs. Anna Hall is quite sick this week.

Midway Coal, 212 W. 7th street, both phones.

Mr. H. O. Cummins was visiting in Omaha last week.

Geo. H. Woodson of Muchakinock was attending court here this week.

The best Xmas presents you can get in the BYSTANDER, one year for One Dollar.

Oil Heaters—Dawson's Hardware.

Mrs. P. T. Bass of Clive was visiting relatives and friends in the capital city this week.

Mr. Chas. Richardson and family of Clive were seen in our city last Wednesday shopping.

Subscribe for the BYSTANDER and it is your \$1.00 while the holiday season.

Henry Brown, who met with a serious accident several weeks ago is able to be up and out at work.

WRITE The African Monarchs of America. They have something to tell you. Sioux City, Ia.

Wheels repaired—Dawson's Hardware.

You will need some cards for the holidays. If you can not spare time to go to our office call up Iowa phone and give your order.

Mr. and Mrs. David Griffen of East Des Moines street, one of our substantial citizens, were visiting their relatives last week in Marion county.

FOR SALE—Ladies' cloaks, as per list must be sold to satisfy mortgage. Come early and have your choice, and get a bargain. 320, East 5th street.

The Masonic Lodge is preparing to give a small banquet here Thursday evening, December 27. The BYSTANDER printed the invitations this week. They are inviting people from all over the city.

Mr. T. Warren Stepp, our colored portrait artist of Clinton, has returned to our city to work up his business. Anyone desiring to have a picture engraved should call and see him, 510 East street.

Week Smith—Dawson's Hardware.

WE WANT colored organizers for the best thing on earth for colored people. African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Ia.

The BYSTANDER has this week opened holiday rates. Anyone sending in \$1.00 between now and January 1, 1901 can have the BYSTANDER for a year, and any regular subscriber sending in \$1.00 can have a year's credit on their subscription.

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Skates repaired—Dawson's Hardware.

New Meat Market.

... W. A. ANDERSON... 1012 CENTER STREET has opened a New Meat Market. He carries all grades of meat and delivers to any part of the city.

TO CORRESPONDENCE.

Please send in your articles not later than Monday evening the 17th, as a holiday number will be issued earlier next week.

Sleds, Sleds—Dawson's Hardware.

J. H. Nixon, Jeweler, No. 316 West Third street. Tunes Pianos and repairs Organs.

The great preparation now being made by the Masons of this city indicates that their banquet to be given at Turner's hall, December 27, will be the swellest banquet ever given in Des Moines. Watch for the programme in next issue.

The burning of the athletic park and a part of the new Auditorium together with several other buildings last Tuesday morning was quite a loss to Mr. Chase. It does seem strange that the Auditorium should catch fire twice in less than six months. However the rustleing quality of Mr. Chase has caused it to be repaired and it was opened Thursday evening.

THE ELITE Restaurant, 314 W. Third street. Best 15c meal in the city. A trial will convince you. E. G. McAFEE Prop.

Weather Strips—Dawson's Hardware.

EXCURSION RATES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at low rates to points on the North-Western System east of the Missouri River within 200 miles of selling station, December 24, 25, 31 and January 1, good returning until January 2, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

SECRET Fraternal Beneficiary lodge for the colored people only. African Monarchs of America, Sioux City, Ia.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONCERT

The concert given by the A. M. E. Sunday School last Thursday evening was largely attended, and every thing proved very successful. The church was crowded by 9 o'clock. The programme was excellent considering the short time for preparation. In the absence of Rev. Phillips the pastor, Mr. A. J. Vaughn delivered the opening prayer. Then a chorus by the little urchins, followed by a few remarks by the superintendent, J. H. Shepard; then a recitation by Miss Jackson; a song, "America" by the boys and a mandolin; song, "The Blue and Gray" by the little Harding sisters, assisted by four larger girls; recitation by Ethel Stewart. Then select recitation by Miss Sims, formerly a student of Booker T. Washington's school; a very beautiful solo by Ethel Bomer; a camp scene by Clifford Williams and Geo. I. Holt; a beautiful sung duet, by Mr. Douglass Miller and Mrs. J. H. Shepard. The closing piece was a song, entitled "O Restless Sea" by a double quartet of young ladies. In fact space will not permit a much deserved compliment on each piece, yet the hearty applause proved this fact. Refreshments were served by J. L. Thompson's class, Future Hope.

Skates, Skates—Dawson's Hardware.

I have several small houses with 3 to 6 rooms that can be sold on pay and bargain. Stop paying rent and the money you are paying rent with, and pay for a home.

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A GREAT CHURCH RALLY.

The extra efforts that the members and friends of the A. M. E. church are going to give next Sunday at their rally to liquidate the entire indebtedness, seems to be a success if weather is good. There will be rally services in the morning and afternoon at the church, and in the evening at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, where everybody is invited to come early. Dr. A. J. Carey of Quinn Chapel, Chicago, has been invited to be present.

WHAT SOCIETY AND CHURCH PEOPLE ARE DOING.

Mrs. Geo. Gaiter gave a birthday party at her home last Monday night in honor of her husband's 32nd birthday. About thirty of their friends were present to spend the evening with them, and enjoy the elegant supper that was served.

Rev. Mrs. L. J. Phillips spent last Sunday at Saylor.

It seems as though that some of the young ladies that are giving parties invite only members of the gentle sex, but the young men are more generous with their invitations, they include both men and women.

Miss Cora Smith will entertain a few friends this month.

A surprise party was given last night by Mrs. Joseph Wyatt in honor of her husband's 24th birthday, at their home Nineteenth and Center streets. About six couples of their friends were present to spend the evening with them.

Rev. J. W. Heath has returned from Okaloosa.

HELP THE GALVESTON RELIEF.

Come and be made happy yourself. The mutual Perfecting Association, 312 West Seventh street, will give 25 per cent of all orders for piano tuning and perfecting musical instruments, for 30 days. Address manager, 312 West Seventh street. (Mention Iowa State Bystander.)

TO THE FRIENDS OF THE LADIES' PLEASURE CLUB.

We, the undersigned members of the Ladies Pleasure club, in contradiction to the statement which appeared in last week's issue of the Bystander, and in our own vindication wish to state that said statement in its entirety is a tissue of malicious falsehoods. We do not aspire to newspaper notoriety, but simply wish to give the public our side of the case. On the evening of November 26, after a meeting of the club held at Mrs. J. H. Soward's, we went to the home of Mrs. J. D. Hardin's and told her and the other members of the club who were assembled there that, after having considered the way in which they had carried everything in the meeting, they being in the majority, without listening to our dissenting voices, we desired to resign and would like to have our part of the money, amounting to \$3.25. They refused to give us the money and did not accept our resignation that night, neither were we notified of any meeting held later to act upon the matter.

We met the next day and reorganized, and they, presumably, did the same. We claim that any persons organizing a club and desiring to call it by the above name had a perfect right to do so.

Mrs. Harding, as president, took upon herself duties that did not belong to her. Instead of appointing a committee to see about getting the necessities for our Thanksgiving dinner, she came to Mrs. Soward's, the treasurer, and demanded the entire sum, and we can in all truth say that we do not know what became of our money.

The difference between the club members arose from the president talking about two of the members and inciting me to think indifferently of them, even planning a test to which one was to be subjected, but when the affair came to a test she retracted everything, and although the two persons were not present when these things were talked over, they chose to believe her and censure us.

They doubtless had good motives best known to themselves for so doing. We do not, however, think that all of the underhand acts perpetrated by them lately emanated from their brains, for we do not consider the soil sufficiently fertile, but the power behind the throne, in this, as in the other club, is a man around town, known as a meddler and a braggart. As a crowning act of treachery this other club, through their treasurer, a good representative for such a mission, stated to Mr. Hansen that we were not the proper class of people and even intimidated to one of our members that those invited were of a doubtful class.

And yet these people have intimately associated with us and enjoyed an exchange of hospitalities for nearly a year.

Consistency, thou art a jewel. We regretfully ask those invited to the entertainment of the 24th to please consider the invitations recalled. Mrs. J. H. Woods, President. Mrs. J. H. McClain, Secretary. Mrs. J. H. Soward, Treasurer.

A TOE CORN

is a little thing, but the pain and grief from it is great. You have never used the EMERALD CORN CURE, or you would not have that corn. It cures hard or soft corns, bunions, callouses, etc. It leaves a new soft smooth skin and gives you ease and comfort. 10c a bottle. SHELDON'S PHARMACY, 10th and Center Sts.

DIED.

Mrs. Ida Lytle died at her home last Saturday morning, after an illness of nearly six months, of consumption. She was born in Nashville, Tenn., 1877, and has been a resident of this city since 1883. Miss Lytle was a member of the First Baptist church. The funeral services were held at the Swedish Baptist church, Seventh and Des Moines street, last Monday at 2:30. Rev. J. E. Bell, assisted by Rev. Bates, conducted the services. Her mother and sister and many friends are left to mourn her loss.

DOES NOT WANT YOUR TRADE.

There is a restaurant (or at least it is known by the name of Star Restaurant,) on Sixth Ave., opposite of the street car waiting room, that does not want Afro-American patronage. Oh they will serve you, but the service they give you is somewhat worse than nothing. Not many days hence a colored person went in there and he waited for several minuets before the man with the white jacket took his order. In fact the colored man was compelled to ask the waiter if he was going to take his order. His reply was "if you want me too," and he had taken two other orders and served them, and they had come in after the colored man had. So we would suggest to all Afro-Americans not to go to that 2x4 cheap chop house, because their food is worse than an egg that has been in cold storage for several years, and then again they don't want your trade.

FRED GREEN OF NEWTON PASSES AWAY.

Fred Green, who has had a long and uneven struggle for life for over a year, passed away Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock. Last fall he went to Colorado and later to Phoenix, Arizona, where he spent the winter in the vain hope of arresting the terrible disease of consumption which seemed to have marked him for its victim. He returned home in the latter part of February. He was converted while in Phoenix and was baptized by Rev. R. F. Chambers on Monday last, the day preceding his death. Fred Douglas Green was born in Newton twenty-eight years ago last July. He was the only son of the late Jason Green, who died a little over a year ago. His family is one of the oldest and most prominent colored families in Newton. Fred graduated from the Newton high school with the class of '91 and the same fall went to Iowa City and entered the law department of the Iowa State university, which he had to give up in a few months on account of failing health. He was married to Miss Phoebe Lucas of Chicago April 13, 1898, and leaves a wife, mother and three sisters. Rev. R. F. Chambers conducted the services. A large number of friends were present. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. The remains were laid to rest beside his father in our beautiful cemetery.

MUCHAKINOCK.

The A. M. E. church gave an entertainment and debate last Monday evening to a fair sized audience. The subject of the debate was, "Resolved, that the United States is unjustified by retaining the Philippine Islands." Affirmative, W. H. London and A. Carry. Negative, A. R. Jackson and J. H. McDowell. The affirmative, according to the judges' decision, made four points to the negative's three.

The banquet by the Twentieth Century club December 28 in Muchakinock promises to be one of the grandest social events of the season. The club has a membership of twenty-six, with Prof. A. R. Jackson, of the famous M. C. band, president. As to the banquet nothing is being left undone. Every effort is being put forward to make it one of the grandest and most elaborate affairs of its kind ever held in Iowa among the Afro-American citizens. The parlors of the opera house and the Odd Fellows' halls have been engaged for the accommodation of those who will be in attendance. The various committees are actively engaged in making all the needed preparations. John T. Washington, chairman of the invitation committee, assisted by B. F. Cooper and L. Perkins, report that a goodly number of Iowa's leading colored people have been invited and have notified the committee of their intentions of being present. Mr. John Tolliver, Jr., of the arrangement committee, reports that a bountiful feast will be spread. A grand programme will be carried out, directed by Mr. Lin Willis, the music by the Willis Mandolin club and Prof. Jackson on the piano. Hon. Geo. H. Woodson will

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MARSHALLTOWN ITEMS.

The Masonic anniversary given in Germania hall by Eureka lodge was a grand affair, both socially and financially.

There is a good chance for good men with families to locate here. Work is good, rent is cheap. Any stranger that comes to town that wants to work can get it.

There is some one using Uncle Sam to carry letters that is not just of the right kind. Better stop before you get caught.

Mr. Frank Miller passed through the city a few days ago on a visit to Okaloosa. He has returned and is going back to his old position at the glucose works.

Mrs. Reed Wam has not been feeling very well for a few days. She is better at this writing.

The revival meetings going on at the Baptist church are not very successful so far, so the preacher is contenting himself with telling jokes on the deacon who drinks and those who dance.

The packing house is running steady this winter.

There are a great many people who read the Bystander, but don't think of subscribing for it. Now, why not? It is a worthy enterprise and published for our race.

Now send in your subscriptions for the Bystander. In so doing you are helping to build up your race. Think of it?

MT. PLEASANT ITEMS.

Mr. Edwin Carter, after an extended absence, has returned to the city. He will remain with us until after Xmas.

Mr. Ray Mason went to Burlington Sunday night.

Mrs. Henderson Tansil was confined to her room last week, but is able to be out again now.

Mr. and Mrs. McCracken, assisted by their daughter, Miss Myra, royal ly entertained the H. V. D. club and a few other lady and gentlemen friends one evening last week in their new residence on South Jackson street. Miss Bertha Hunt was the guest of honor. Misses K. Nora and Lydia E. Bartlett and Ione M. Mason represented the club with literary productions. Instrumental music was furnished by Messrs. Fitzgeralds and Sam McCracken, Jr. Dainty, elegant refreshments were served by Misses Myra and Carrie McCracken and Miss Oneida Hedge. After indulging in several enjoyable games the guests departed, being very favorably impressed with their host and hostess, as well as the beautiful, spacious reception room.

The teachers of the A. M. E. Sunday school are preparing an excellent programme for Xmas.

Rev. Miller preached a sermon to the young people Sunday morning at the A. M. E. church, which would have appealed to the most hardened sinner to turn their ways from darkness unto light. We regret that the Rev. is to leave us, and think that by his assistance and Rev. Ferrabee's much good might be done in our city this year.

Master Wilson Taylor of Chicago is visiting his grandparents on West Henry street, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Taylor.

Miss Bertha Hunt, after a pleasant visit at the home of her uncle's, Mr. K. Bartlett, on East Madison street, returned to her home Sunday night in Keokuk. All who met Miss Hunt were sorry they had not met her sooner.

Mrs. Price of Galesburg visited Mr. and Mrs. Trimble last week.

Mr. Joseph Arbuckle and family have moved from their farm northwest of the city to a residence a little nearer the city.

Messrs. Will Burnaugh and Emerson Jones are on the sick list.

CEDAR RAPIDS BUDGETARIAN.

Died, Monday at noon, Mr. Henderson Forrester, at his home on Oak Hill, at the age of 39. His funeral occurred Wednesday afternoon from his late residence, Rev. Bass officiating. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, two brothers, two sisters, an adopted daughter and a host of friends.

Mesdames Ben Hawkins and Geo. Wade spent the day with Mrs. J. E. Milligan last Tuesday, it being the latter's birthday. A pleasant time was had.

Archie Price left Monday night for Macomb, Ill.

The Masons are preparing for an entertainment during the holidays.

act as master of ceremonies during the evening.

ness meeting Tuesday, December 11, after which there will be a social.

The Sewing Circle meets at Mrs. Eva Mitchell's Friday evening, December 14. G. Tyler, president; C. Brooks, secretary.

Sock Social.—This little sock we give to you. It is not for you to wear. Please multiply your size by two to place therein with care in pennies or in cents just twice the number that you wear. We hope it is immense. So if you wear a No. 10, you owe us 20 sock. This social is given by the Mite Missionary society December 18 at the St. John's A. M. E. church.

The Estor Court gives a drill New Years and oyster supper.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Emma Reed and Mrs. A. L. Drew.

We are glad to see Miss Beaulieu take her place in the choir, after a week or two illness.

The Masons give a dance and supper Christmas.

Mrs. Allen entertained Mrs. Maniel and Mrs. King at 6 o'clock dinner Thursday evening.

Mrs. G. A. Brown, Drew and Kinney spent a day in the country with Mrs. S. L. Tigg.

There is a little orphan girl who wrote a letter to Santa Claus and I hope he will see her.

Mrs. G. A. Brown entertained the Sister Ruth and Odd Fellows last Wednesday evening.

I wish you a merry Christmas, dear Ed. Now, as the New Year is about to enter in, please subscribe for the Bystander instead of borrowing.

Miss Zillie Howard, who has been visiting at Memphis, Tenn., has returned to the city.

The oyster supper that was given at the church last Thursday night by Mrs. Ellen Morris was not very well attended, on account of bad weather.

Mr. Rufus Brooks is very ill at his home on Fifteenth street.

Mr. Sam Gentry met with a very painful accident. He received a very bad scalp wound.

Mrs. Hughbanks visited at the home of Mrs. A. Drew's, en route to Fort Madison from Galesburg.

Rev. Hunt was at Fort Madison last Sunday attending to his missionary work, and met with success.

There will be an entertainment given at the Union Baptist church Friday evening, December 14.

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SIoux CITY ITEMS.

THIS WEEK.

Reverals will continue this week. A concert will be given by the Sunday school on the 18th at Sons of Herman hall, between Fourth and Fifth streets on Douglas.

Rev. T. A. Clark and Jas. Washington have returned from Yankton.

The A. M. E. pulpit was filled on last Sunday by Rev. Mr. Oakes of Morningside. Mr. Oakes delivered a very instructive sermon.

The Zion Baptist church, under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Coalson, is getting along very nicely. They have organized a Sunday school now.

Mrs. Mary Wright died last Thursday night, after a long and severe spell of sickness. She was buried from the undertaker's Saturday morning, Rev. Clark officiating. Quite a number attended the funeral, quoting their last respects to the dead.

Quarterly meeting on next Sunday. Sacrament in the morning.

LAST WEEK.

The Thanksgiving dinner which was given at the church on that day, under the management of Mr. Geo. Washington, was a grand success, both financially and socially. Quite a snug sum was realized. And Mr. Washington deserves great credit.

P. E. Bundy held quarterly conference at the church Tuesday evening, December 4, and he held quarterly meeting at Yankton on the 9th, at which time Rev. Clark and Mr. Jas. Washington assisted.

The choir sang out at Leeds on the evening of the 4th inst.

The Zion Baptist and the A. M. E. churches have begun a series of revivals at the latter church.

There will be quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church on the 16th inst.

Mr. W. H. Moulden returned to St. Paul Sunday morning, after a pleasant visit in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Young came up from LeMars and spent Thanksgiving day, returning next morning. Mr. Young expects to return to Sioux City about the first of January to locate.

The Young Men's club gave another one of their dances on the 23th.

The Afro-American Monarchs gave a grand ball at W. O. W. hall on Thanksgiving night.

Look for the S. S. concert soon.