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CITY NEWS.

(N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we will send all your local news—Ed.)

Rev. Samuel Bates returned home Tuesday.

L. E. Walker was up from Grinnell to attend the Field meet last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hudson have gone to Chicago on a visit. They will remain there several days.

The baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. S. Brown that was operated upon last week is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Thos. McDaniel who has been in a very critical condition for several months does not seem to be improving very much, if any.

Geo. Mason has gone to Mt. Pleasant, his home, to visit relatives and friends for a few weeks.

The People of Lake Park who moved on account of high water will be able to take possession of their property next week.

Mrs. Harrison Gould who has been visiting a few weeks in Omaha, Nebr. and Council Bluffs, Ia., returned Wednesday evening and report an enjoyable time.

Mr. Aaron Bobb of Leavenworth, Kansas, who is stopping in our city for a few days, was a visitor at Charity Lodge Tuesday night, also Mr. John Anderson, formerly of Oskaloosa but now a resident of Olive.

The families in Lake Park who had to move on account of the extremely high water were Geo. Law, Prof. L. H. Brown and Lucian Brown. Prof. Brown taken up temporary quarters at 739 West Ninth street.

There was a fistic carnival on Ninth and Center Monday night. Outside of a little rumpled hair and a few scratches no harm was done, as the participants were women.

As there has been so many washouts on the railroads, Miss Beatrice Hicklin will not go to Burlington to attend the S. S. Convention that is in session there now.

Mrs. John Walker is very sick at her home on E. Lyon street. Her son Will of Lincoln, Nebr., was sent for and he arrived here last week and will stay till his mother improves.

Mrs. L. E. Palmer Past Grand Matron and Mrs. R. A. Wilburn Vice Grand Matron will leave Monday for Burlington to attend the annual sessions of the Grand Court Heroines of Jerico of Iowa.

Mr. Henry Clay left last week for the lakes in Minnesota, to be gone for several weeks, in company with a Des Moines party. On his return he will spend a few days in Minneapolis.

Robt. Hall of Indianapolis was in the city Monday, enroute home from Chicago, where he had been with a car-load of horses. While here he was the guest of his brother Joseph.

In last week's issue there was an error in the omission of one name who composed the lady quartette that sang at the Knight Templar's entertainment. It was Miss Ethel Bomer. We was sorry of the error.

One West Side young man went to the East Side last Sunday afternoon to see his lady friend, he was forced to make the trip part of the way in a boat on account of the high water; in fact risked his life in crossing the turbulent stream. Wasn't he gallant?

At the meeting of the electoral College of the A. M. E. church, held last month in Oak Island, Ill., elected Mr. John L. Neal of Minneapolis, Minn., and J. E. Webb of Evanston, Ill., as delegates to the general conference to be held in Chicago next year. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines and Dr. Crest of Chicago are alternates.

Mrs. S. Joe Brown returned Thursday from a visit to her parental home in Buxton.

Dr. A. G. Edwards, our esteemed physician left last Saturday for Chicago to attend the Post Graduate Medical College's lectures this month. The doctor is one of the leading colored physicians in the West.

DR. A. G. EDWARDS.
Physician and Surgeon.

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Arrangements have been made to enlarge the dining rooms of several of the dining stations of the M. K. & T. The improvement of a dining station at Parsons, Kansas has just been completed, now permitting a seating capacity of 150 passengers.

CLEAR LAKE, IOWA.
Excursion rates to this beautiful summer resort, via the North-Western Line, May to September, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

The very excellent report in detail of the Iowa Club Women's State Federation which held their annual session in Davenport last week was made by Mrs. James Higgins of Moline, Ill., for which we extend to Mrs. Higgins our thanks and appreciation for the report.

The Editor received a rather unique invitation from our old friend Rev. Geo. M. Tillman, pastor of St. John's A. M. E. church Chicago to attend a Deed Presentation and Jollification June 4th. The evening programme is quite lengthy, among the number is a Duets by Miss Edith Louise Birney and Mrs. Katherine D. Tillman also the rally song was composed by Mrs. Tillman. Miss Birney is a Des Moines girl and well known here, her father Mr. Alex. Birney lives here. Miss Birney is very proficient in instrumental music.

LOW RATES WEST.
Every day until June 15, the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway will sell one-way colonist tickets to many western points at very low rates. Three through trains daily with chair cars and tourist sleepers attached. Call at 410 Walnut street for full information.

GRAND COURT OF H. OF J.
The Grand Court of Heroines of Jericho for the state and its jurisdiction, will hold its thirteenth annual session in Burlington, June 9, 10 and 11. This society in the past year or more has made wonderful growth and is the strongest organization in the state among the ladies. There are several reasons for believing that this will be the largest attended session in the history of the order in this state. The Grand Matron, Mrs. P. A. Jones of Keokuk, said while in this city a few weeks ago, on her annual visit, "the interest in each of the Courts is all that could be expected, and each Court will be represented by from one to six delegates." Mrs. Jones is an excellent lady and has made a splendid Matron. She has been busy the entire year instructing and advising the Matrons of the different Courts, and as a result each Court will report an increase in membership. It is also expected that a number of distinguished ladies from other states will attend this session. The hospitality of the Burlington people is a guarantee that the visitors will be royally entertained.

QUEEN ESTHER.
A brief synopsis will refresh our memory of the historic Esther. She was born in Persia 500 years B. C., being an orphan from infancy. She was adopted by her uncle Mordecai, and was afterwards chosen by the King of Beam to be his wife and Queen. Haman was Premier and a favorite of the King and hated Mordecai, because he would not worship him as King. Haman makes a plot and has a scaffold built to hang Mordecai, but the Queen tells the King of the plot and pleads for her uncle. Than the King orders Haman hung and proclaims Mordecai Premier. The people rejoice.

That event has been put in the form of a sacred cantata of five acts and seven scenes, called "Queen Esther," which was rendered by a chorus of about 30 at the A. M. E. church last Tuesday night, under the direction of Prof. Geo. I. Holt. Following is the cast:

King S. Joe Brown, who sang and acted his part well; Queen, Miss Marie Mash, as that was her debut in a stellar role she was a trifle nervous, which prevented her from singing in her usual graceful manner; Mordecai (Jew) G. L. Holt, who is too well known to Des Moines audiences for us to say anything about his acting or singing; Haman; S. D. Miller, he acted his part in a very acceptable manner; Zereah (Haman's wife), Miss Beatrice Hicklin, in this as well as all the other principal parts contains some beautiful solos, and Miss Hicklin rendered hers nicely; Mordecai's sister, Mrs. E. B. Elliston; Miss Nettie Singer was to have been the Prophetess but owing to sickness was unable to be there, and Mrs. Elliston assumed that part. Her singing was very good except her high notes which did not contain enough purity of tone; Median Princess, Miss Olive Smith; Persian Princess Mrs. S. D. Miller; both acted their parts in a very acceptable manner. Geo. Mason as the High Priest, Hegai and the Beggar did well and in the latter role he received a liberal applause; L. L. Henderson was the Herald and E. B. Elliston the Scribe; both had their parts well in hand. Ethel Bomer sang her solos very beautiful, as was the duet sung

by the King and Persian Princess in the second scene of the first act, and the quartet composed of the Messrs. Holt, Mason and the Misses Hicklin and Bomer in the third scene of act five was very prominent, as their rendition was good and deserved the applause they received. Miss Nina Hamilton was the accompanist. With a larger chorus and upon a larger stage with an orchestra the cantata could be rendered with better effect.

EXCURSION TICKETS TO CARNIVAL AT WEBSTER CITY, IOWA.
Via the North-Western Line will be sold at reduced rates June 9 to 13, inclusive, limited return until 15, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

Mrs. E. T. Banks is quite sick this week.

Mrs. Frank Johnson left for Davenport Thursday to make her future home in that city.

The colored people of Cleveland, Ia., will give a grand entertainment on June 13. Mr. E. N. Hyde and John L. Thompson of this city have been invited to address the meeting.

North Star Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M. held their annual election last Thursday night. There was quite an animated contest for the different offices for the ensuing year. Those elected were: W. M., Harrison Gould; S. W., C. B. Woods; J. W., W. B. Frazier; Treasurer J. S. Wilkerson; Secretary, K. J. Hamilton. A public installation of the officers will be held June 24th.

PALMISTRY.
Send print of hand on smoked paper, date of birth and 25 cents, silver, and get past, present and future told by an expert.
Prof. L. H. S. Brown,
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but we have publications that will enlighten you about Texas and its great possibilities. Other "Katy" publications, "The Golden Square," "The Coming Country," "Old Mexico," etc., will be mailed on application. Address
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THE JUNE COSMOPOLITAN
The lover of fiction—especially in the form of short stories—will turn with pleasure to the latest issue of The Cosmopolitan. Here appear a charming love-story by Francis Willing Wharton, beautifully illustrated by Thomas Mitchell Peirce; a dramatic railroad story by R. H. Farnham; a romance of the business world by Trumbull White, and contribution by H. E. Martin and Henry Seton Merriman. In the same number which is remarkable for the great variety of topics that are discussed, Edward Everett Hale writes on "Old-Age Pensions;" Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of the "Review of Reviews," discusses "Journalism" as a profession; H. G. Wells advances some more of his ideas on "Love and the Cultivation of the Imagination;" and Mary E. Thornton gives some practical advice on "How to care for the Sick in the Home." An essay on "The Rose of Yesterday and To-day" is superbly illustrated with photographs; some fine illustrations being also a feature of an article on "Gateway: Artistic and Characteristic," a contribution on "Floral Head-dresses," and an interesting account of "An English Garden City." The personal articles include character sketches of George Gilbert Williams, the great banker; William Barclay Parsons, chief engineer of the New York Rapid Transit Commission; and Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal, High Commissioner for Canada. There are also contributions by William E. Lighton, Antoinette Van Hoesen, John Brisbane Walker and Julian Hawthorne. In all, there are twenty-one stories and articles in the June Cosmopolitan Magazine.

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EDITORIALS.

The Grand Lodge of Masons of Iowa will hold their annual meeting in Des Moines July 14, 15 and 16. The local committee who have charge of the entertaining are working and planning for a large crowd, as there will be representatives from all over the state. The complete programme for entertaining the Grand Lodge will be published next week. The Governor of Iowa will tender a reception to them on their first day, Tuesday July 14th.

The recent floods in Des Moines will have no effect whatever on the Summer Carnival to be held the week of June 22nd. In fact, redoubled efforts are being made to make the event a greater success than was at first planned, so that the outside world may know that Des Moines is still very much on top of the earth. The principal attraction of the Fair will be furnished by the Jabour Carnival and Circus Company which opened its season at Minneapolis Monday of this week. After a fortnight there and a week at Eau Claire, Wis., the aggregation comes to Des Moines for Carnival week. The success scored in Minneapolis this week will be duplicated in Des Moines. Entertainments in three tents amuse the gathering crowd during the first hour. The first is called the World's Beauty show, introducing beauties from all the leading countries, who present national dances in national costumes. Next is an entertainment in the Congress of Nations, introducing Arno, the contortionist; Ching Foo Lee and wife, Chinese jugglers; Fatima and oriental dancers; Japanese acrobats and magicians; and Peter Bowman the Highland piper. Following this is a vaudeville performance in the Japanese tea garden, and then comes an open-air program, in view of all within the enclosure, introducing the Dunbar trio the Dacoma family, Carl Damman troupe; Cotton and his comedy donkeys; high wire walking by Davenport, a sensational high dive by Mlle. Lijens, who makes a leap from a pedestal 65 feet high, enveloped in flame. The Ashinda troupe of Japs is thrown in by the way of good measure, and there are stunts by Irwin, the upside down man, and Arno the contortionist.

Among other entertainers are the Sutterlute tyroleans. Ching Wah Foo, chinese juggler, Fatima, orient al dancer; Wm Kent, dancing comedian; Lyle La Pine, boy balladist; Rosen, lilliputian comedian; the Melnotte twins; Hill and Graham, song and dance comedians; Mark Green, musical comedian and Peter Bowman, the highland piper. Japanese day fireworks and at night a magnificent pyrotechnic spectacle "A Night in Japan" are other features of the entertainment.

GIVE US CREDIT.
Not long ago we published an article about a movement being started to purchase the John Brown's Homestead at Akron, Ohio and some of our exchanges published our article verbatim and did not give us credit for the same, who did that is a plagiarist.

SPRIT LAKE VIA CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RY.
Effective June 7th the C. M. & St. P. Ry. will establish double daily train service between Des Moines and Spirit Lake. Trains will leave Union Station at 9:10 a. m. and 5:40 p. m., running through to Spirit Lake without transfer. Standard coaches and standard dining car service on all trains. Excursion tickets on sale daily. Ticket office 410 Walnut street.

For New Summer Resort.
Charles M. Schwab of the Steel trust is said to be at the head of a syndicate of wealthy New Yorkers who have in view the establishment at Great Neck, L. I., of an exclusive summer resort similar to that founded many years ago at Tuxedo by Pierre Lorillard. The buying of shore front property at Great Neck has been going on for months big prices being paid in some cases and ere long the little hamlet will have been replaced by splendid summer cottages. Five thousand dollars an acre was paid for an estate of 105 acres.

IOWA PROCLAMATION.

Office of the District Grand Master.
To the officers and members of the subordinate lodges in Iowa. Greeting:
The 23rd annual meeting of the District Grand Lodge No. 30, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, will meet in Colfax, Iowa, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 14, 15, and 16, 1903. Each lodge is entitled to one (1) delegate, and any lodge failing to be represented by delegate will be fined \$5.00. The District Tax, which is 50 per centum also Special Tax which is 200 per centum is now due and should be sent to the D. G. S. Past Grand Masters, Past District Grand Masters and Conventional members, and one (1) delegate from each lodge in Iowa will constitute the said District Grand Lodge, and no other members will be entitled to a vote under any circumstances whatever. Each one attending the Grand Lodge will ask the local ticket agent for a certificate, so if there is 100 or more in attendance, including delegates and visitors, a rate of one fare and a third will be granted by the railroads running into Colfax. There will be a number of attractions during the session. The famous Burton band will furnish music, and Lodges, Households, Councils and Patriarchies have been invited from all over Iowa and adjoining states, so a grand time is assured. The first day's session will be called to order at 10 a. m., July 14. Lodges will take notice and govern themselves accordingly. The P. S. of Lodges, who have not as yet sent in their annual reports and delegate credentials, will please send them in at once to the D. G. S. and avoid a fine.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN T. MARRY,
District Grand Master,
Office, City Hall, Davenport, Ia.
Attest, Wm. GORDON,
Box 102, Hilton, Ia.

GRAND SUMMER FESTIVAL.

The month of May will go on record as the heaviest rain fall in the Mississippi Valley during one month in the history of our country and the highest point was reached last Saturday and Sunday when the Des Moines rose higher than any time in its history reaching the height of 23 feet and 6 inches flooding the bottoms and rendering hundreds and hundreds of families homeless. The churches the school houses and other public buildings were thrown open and the various charitable clubs and women's relief clubs, the city council and other clubs responded immediately and went to work clothing, feeding, sheltering and comforting the many homeless. The many horrible stories told of the suffering, and to see families leaving their homes in boats with little clothing and drenched in the pouring rain and even little babies born in the flooded homes who was forced to move, the scene was one indescribable for only those who see these acts can tell and reports show that the condition was even worse in Kansas City and Topeka where many lives were lost; among the colored people who lived in the bottoms and lost their gardens and other things were, Waddy Calloway, Albert Moss, Geo. Taylor, Washington Williams, Gus Comley, Wm. Smith, A. M. Midgett, Chas. Mash, Monroe Anderson, A. L. Lucas, R. Bruce also Mrs. Kate Champion and many other families whose names we could not get at present. The water has receded back and the families are moving back.

HOMESEEEKERS' EXCURSION VIA CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RAILWAY.
On the first and third Tuesdays of each month until June 16, the C. M. & St. P. Ry. will sell tickets at one fare plus two dollars for the round trip to many points north, south, and west. Call at 410 Walnut street for full information.

\$15.00—TEXAS AND BACK—\$15.00.
June 16th, via M. K. & T. Ry. Stop-overs enroute south of Clinton, Mo., and Kincaid, Kas. up to July 1. Final return limit July 7th, 1903. See Texas in all its glory—its progress and prosperity. Write "Katy," St. Louis for further particulars.

GREAT FLOODS IN MISSISSIPPI VALLEY.

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A fair sized audience was in attendance at the concert given Monday evening by the A. M. E. Sunday School at Bethel church.
Rev. W. W. Russell is in Galesburg this week on business.
Mr. and Mrs. William Giles left Tuesday for Chicago, their future home by reason of Mr. Giles being given a run by the C & W from Chicago to St. Paul while in the city they made numerous friends who regret their departure.
Mrs. P. P. Taylor and daughter Esther left Tuesday for Chicago called their by the illness of Mrs. Spencer a sister of the former.
We are glad to mention the fact that the honors of graduation were conferred on another of our race this time Miss Murda Beason winning the honors on Friday evening May 26th, having completed the grammar course in class of ninety-six. Let the race continue to press forward.
S. C. Smith is taking a much needed rest, after a lengthy period as cook with J. N. Hancock, at present we are unable to say what his future intentions may be.

EXCURSION TO LAKES OKOBOJI AND SPIRIT LAKE.

Via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. on Sunday, June 7th.
Free programme for the entertainment of visitors:
Balloon ascension and parachute descent by Madam Loretta of Rockford, Ill.
Baseball game—Algona vs Sioux City at 2:30 p. m. General admission free.
Five large steamers will carry excursionists around the lakes at a low rate.
The finest steamboat dock on the lake has just been completed at Milwaukee Beach and all excursion steamers make landing there.
The special train will leave Des Moines at 4:30 a. m., on Sunday, June 7th, and returning will leave Arnold's Park at 7:00 p. m. Sunday, June 7th. Excursion tickets will be good only on special train going and returning. Round trip rate from Des Moines \$2.00.
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Mrs. R. J. Wright has returned from Keota where she has been holding meetings.
Miss Jessie Walker was an invited guest at an afternoon reception given by the ladies of the Y. M. C. A. at which Mrs. Fletcher the President of the State Federation of women's clubs spoke.
Messrs I. L. Brown, Albert Walker and Wm. James returned from St. Paul this evening, they report a splendid time.
Albert Walker and sister Jessie were the recipients of invitations from Mr. Laurence Jones to witness his graduation Thursday night.
Marshalltown may well be proud of Mr. Laurence Jones who graduated last Thursday night, because he is the first colored boy to graduate in the city also because he was the most honored graduate of the class, although none of the other graduates were applauded on receiving their diplomas, when Mr. Jones stepped to receive his, the whole audience in the Opera House broke forth with a tremendous storm of applause. The newspapers have also given him considerable honorable mention from time to time.
Mrs. Ike Brown entertained Miss Walker at an elegant dinner Sunday.
D. Pippins after a protracted absence has returned to the city.
The Baptist Church will have a rally in June.
We are having lots of rain.

THE LARGEST HOLLY TREES.
The largest holly-trees in the world grow in the Northern United States and in Canada, where the tree attains a height of 70 feet, and a girth of six to eight feet.

Superstition in Venice.
There is a curious superstition in Venice that if a stranger dies in a hotel the number of his room will be lucky at the next lottery.

Many Specimens of Clover.
Specimens of four, five, six, seven, eight and nine-leaved clover have been presented to Queen Alexandra by a Welsh lady.

Few Churchgoers in London.
The bishop of London says that only one in every eighty of the population of London go to church or chapel.

Marry After Long Courtship.
After a thirty years courtship a couple, both over fifty, have just been married at Leeds, England.

Mixed Bathing to Be Allowed.
Mixed bathing will be permitted next year at the majority of German seaside resorts.

Opportunity for Treasure Hunters.
Nearly one hundred years ago the Jesuits were banished from Mexico. It was known that they had immense hoards of gold, but feared to tempt cupidity by taking it all with them. What they did with the bulk of their savings has just been revealed by Pierre Guire, who says that treasure to the value of over \$4,000,000 was buried beneath the old cathedral in the little town of Typozotlan, and is believed to be there yet.
The famous palace occupied by the late George W. Childs of the Philadelphia Ledger, which cost him over \$1,000,000, is to be transformed into an apartment house.

Curse on Zborowski Family Finds Another Victim.
That Elliot Zborowski, who was killed on Tuesday in an auto accident at Nice, died as he did, will be no surprise to those in this city who remember him as the greatest daredevil New York and Newport society ever had. Even Foxhall Keene, who has had half the bones in his body broken, was not the equal to this American count for his wild, reckless disregard for life. He was born in this city of a long line of Zborowskis.
Strangely enough, his death is in keeping with the traditions of his family, for none of the male members ever dies in bed. Back of this remarkable circumstance is a tale of a curse four generations ago launched at the head of the great-grandfather of Elliot Zborowski by an Irish lord, who, in his anger, called upon heaven to prevent any male Zborowski from ever dying in his bed.
None has since. Elliot's father was stricken with paralysis and died in his chair before the son could ride for a physician. One of his uncles, Elliot, was killed by a New York, New Haven & Hartford train. Another, Francis, was drowned in a Williamsbridge pond. Still another member of the family was killed by being thrown from a horse, and so the story has gone. Now comes the crushing of this generation's representative in a twentieth century accident.—New York World.

In This Glided Age.
Now it's to be a \$750,000 hotel in New York. The man who went to the Waldorf-Astoria and was afraid to put his boots outside the door of his room lest the porter would gild 'em will have renewed occasion for apprehension.

Long Past Century Mark.
In an official advertisement published in Vienna citing a Baroness Bourscheid to declare her whereabouts and appear before a court of law, it is mentioned that she was born in February, 1795.

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The largest holly-trees in the world grow in the Northern United States and in Canada, where the tree attains a height of 70 feet, and a girth of six to eight feet.

NOTHING TOO SMALL TO STEAL.

City Merchant Complains of the Prevalence of Dishonesty.
"The old saying that nothing is too small to steal is exemplified in our business," said a manufacturer of custom-made clothing. "Our thread gives us lots of trouble. We have to keep a watchful eye upon it. The case in which it is kept is under the supervision of our most trusted employee. If he chose to be dishonest he could rob us of \$5,000 a year and we would be none the wiser. We would, perhaps, notice that we were using more thread than usual, but the excess might be attributed to other causes."
"We have to check out every spool we give to our tailors. Even at this time we are in danger of having a cheaper grade substituted. The difference in the price of the spools may be only one or two cents, but it offers a temptation if the scheme can be worked on a large scale. Some years ago we were forced to the conclusion that a 'fence' was being operated to dispose of stolen thread. The spools were sold by peddlers from house to house. This suspicion caused large establishments to have each spool stamped with dyes which cut into the wood, stating that the thread was stolen from such and such a shop, the name of which was stamped on the spool."

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CLINTON ITEMS.
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Rev. W. W. Russell is in Galesburg this week on business.
Mr. and Mrs. William Giles left Tuesday for Chicago, their future home by reason of Mr. Giles being given a run by the C & W from Chicago to St. Paul while in the city they made numerous friends who regret their departure.
Mrs. P. P. Taylor and daughter Esther left Tuesday for Chicago called their by the illness of Mrs. Spencer a sister of the former.
We are glad to mention the fact that the honors of graduation were conferred on another of our race this time Miss Murda Beason winning the honors on Friday evening May 26th, having completed the grammar course in class of ninety-six. Let the race continue to press forward.
S. C. Smith is taking a much needed rest, after a lengthy period as cook with J. N. Hancock, at present we are unable to say what his future intentions may be.

THE LARGEST HOLLY TREES.
The largest holly-trees in the world grow in the Northern United States and in Canada, where the tree attains a height of 70 feet, and a girth of six to eight feet.

Superstition in Venice.
There is a curious superstition in Venice that if a stranger dies in a hotel the number of his room will be lucky at the next lottery.

Many Specimens of Clover.
Specimens of four, five, six, seven, eight and nine-leaved clover have been presented to Queen Alexandra by a Welsh lady.

Few Churchgoers in London.
The bishop of London says that only one in every eighty of the population of London go to church or chapel.

Marry After Long Courtship.
After a thirty years courtship a couple, both over fifty, have just been married at Leeds, England.

Mixed Bathing to Be Allowed.
Mixed bathing will be permitted next year at the majority of German seaside resorts.

Opportunity for Treasure Hunters.
Nearly one hundred years ago the Jesuits were banished from Mexico. It was known that they had immense hoards of gold, but feared to tempt cupidity by taking it all with them. What they did with the bulk of their savings has just been revealed by Pierre Guire, who says that treasure to the value of over \$4,000,000 was buried beneath the old cathedral in the little town of Typozotlan, and is believed to be there yet.
The famous palace occupied by the late George W. Childs of the Philadelphia Ledger, which cost him over \$1,000,000, is to be transformed into an apartment house.

Curse on Zborowski Family Finds Another Victim.
That Elliot Zborowski, who was killed on Tuesday in an auto accident at Nice, died as he did, will be no surprise to those in this city who remember him as the greatest daredevil New York and Newport society ever had. Even Foxhall Keene, who has had half the bones in his body broken, was not the equal to this American count for his wild, reckless disregard for life. He was born in this city of a long line of Zborowskis.
Strangely enough, his death is in keeping with the traditions of his family, for none of the male members ever dies in bed. Back of this remarkable circumstance is a tale of a curse four generations ago launched at the head of the great-grandfather of Elliot Zborowski by an Irish lord, who, in his anger, called upon heaven to prevent any male Zborowski from ever dying in his bed.
None has since. Elliot's father was stricken with paralysis and died in his chair before the son could ride for a physician. One of his uncles, Elliot, was killed by a New York, New Haven & Hartford train. Another, Francis, was drowned in a Williamsbridge pond. Still another member of the family was killed by being thrown from a horse, and so the story has gone. Now comes the crushing of this generation's representative in a twentieth century accident.—New York World.

In This Glided Age.
Now it's to be a \$750,000 hotel in New York. The man who went to the Waldorf-Astoria and was afraid to put his boots outside the door of his room lest the porter would gild 'em will have renewed occasion for apprehension.