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Price, Five Cents.

State Capital
Historical Room

CITY NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin of Saylorville spent last Sunday in our city.

Mr. Claud Weeks is working at the postoffice restaurant.

Miss Lella Sheffy of Muchaknock is the guest of Mrs. F. G. Goggins this week.

Miss Addie Wilkenson entertained a number of her friends at her home last night.

Mr. Douglass Miller has been making some repairs on his house the current week.

Clothing on credit for men, women and children, Menter, Rosenbloom & Co., 516 Walnut street.

Mrs. Davis of Keokuk, Iowa, has moved to our city to make her future day. Mrs. Davis is one of Keokuk's home. She arrived here last Saturday and highly esteemed citizens. We welcome her to our city.

NEW RESTAURANT.

The Oxford Cafe has just opened its doors for service. Good meals, short orders or boarding.

MRS. A. M. MASSEY,
South part of town
Buxton, Iowa.

Mrs. G. W. Woods gave a dinner last Sunday in honor of Mrs. Sander Lewis Wright of St. Paul.

Mr. Walter Williams, one of our prosperous young men who is learning the bakery trade, has ordered the Bystander so as to keep touch with other people of our race.

James Hamilton, formerly of Ottumwa, arrived in the city this week with a view of making it his future home.

H. S. Clay, who was taken so seriously sick the latter part of last week, is much better at present.

Mrs. F. J. Peterson, who is visiting at the home of Mrs. Richard Harris, was the guest of the Equal Suffrage club last week in the parlors of the Kirkwood house.

Mrs. F. J. Peterson left yesterday for Albia to join her husband, who is the pastor of the A. M. E. church there, after a very pleasant visit here.

Miss Gertrude Hyde and her friend Miss Martha Jackson were entertained last Thursday evening at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Weeks, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Daniels. A pleasant time was reported.

Mr. John Earley called and ordered the Bystander for one year. Mr. Earley says that his son Clarence who went as a soldier to the Philippine Islands, has now a good position in the quartermaster's department in Nueva Caesus, Province of Conn., Island of Luzon. The Bystander is glad to hear of the well doing of the Iowa boys.

Newman & Lewis
Contractors, Builders and General Jobbers...
928 West Fourteenth Street
YOUR TRADE IS SOLICITED.

NOTICE.
The Benefit club will meet at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, October 15, at the home of Mrs. R. J. Hyde, 1226 Grand avenue. The members will please be present as business of importance will be transacted. By order of the president, Mrs. Bowers. Mrs. Wm. Coalsen, secretary.

Your Patronage is Kindly Solicited at the new
Jewell Restaurant
just opened at the corner of
W. Second and Walnut
MEALS SERVED AT 15 CENTS.
Under management of
R. N. HYDE
and
MISS MARY MONTAGUE

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTICE.
On Sunday, October 11, the pastor's morning subject will be: "The Devil, the Prince of this World." Evening: "The Devil in Individual Life." All cordially invited. T. L. Griffith, pastor.

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NO MORE \$15 NO LESS
WORLD'S LARGEST TAILORS
45 Stores in America 15 Stores in Europe
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Charlie Holmes who is a student at the capital city High School, is player-center on their football team this fall.

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The Messrs. L. L. Henderson and E. A. Lee are the only colored students attending Drake University, the former is in the collegiate department and the latter in the dental. Mr. Lee is the only colored person that has ever entered this department of the University.

While in Oskaloosa, Ia., stop at Emanuel Robbins' Lunch Room; also furnished rooms. Good service at reasonable rates.
311 Rock Island avenue.

Elmer Williams, formerly of Oskaloosa but now of Chicago, was in the city a few days this week.

Attorney Geo. H. Woodson of Muchaknock is in the city week looking after some of his cases that are in the supreme court.

VERY LOW RATES TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES, CAL.
Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold Oct. 8 to 17 inclusive, with very favorable return limits, on account of convention of American Bankers' association. Apply to Agents Chicago North-Western E. Y.

The Wichita Kan., Search Light says: "Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Young left Wednesday morning for Chicago, where they will make their home for some months to come. Mr. and Mrs. Young have purchased the Columbia Cafe, 3033 Dearborn street. The Columbia Cafe is one of Chicago's most aristocratic cafes and has the best trade of any like business in the Windy City. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Young will regret very much to learn that they will be absent from our city, but wish them success." We will add that Mr. and Mrs. Young are in full possession of the cafe, and the people show their appreciation of them by crowding the place at meal time.—Chicago Conservator.

Rev. O. A. Johnson, pastor of the Burns M. E. chapel, is doing more work now than two ordinary ministers. He is preparing to begin building a new church 32x64 two stories. The first floor will be used for lecture and amusement rooms, the next will be the main room and will seat about 300 to 400 people. It will be all brick and will make a nice appearance.

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We want you to be good judges, therefore invite you to call and see us at 506 W. Locust street, where we will be pleased to show you our latest Fall and Winter styles in Cloths for Suits and Overcoatings. Suits \$30.00 up; Trousers \$5.00 up.

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Divorced Wife Dismisses Answer and Cross-Petition.

Rev. F. C. Lomack was on Thursday given a decree of divorce in the court of Judge W. H. McHenry. Simultaneously a withdrawal of the answer on cross petition filed by Mrs. F. C. Lomack at the beginning of the divorce proceedings was entered of record in the office of the county clerk. Mrs. Lomack is still under bonds awaiting the action of the grand jury on a charge of perjury filed by her divorced husband. Lomack charged in his petition for divorce adultery, naming H. R. Wright, a well known colored attorney, as co-respondent. The decree was granted on evidence tending to prove the allegations.—Daily News.

SHENANDOAH, IOWA.

Special to the Bystander.

Shenandoah has three colored families.

Mr. R. P. Colwell is employed at the Hunt house as porter. His family consists of his wife and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Eliza Bowman of Bedford, Iowa, who is going to remain until spring.

Mr. Collins is cooking at the college. He has a family.

Mr. Grigby is a carpet cleaner and hangs paper, and does house cleaning. He also has a family.

All three families own their property they live in. All are subscribers for the Iowa State Bystander.

WASHINGTON, IOWA.

Washington dun boast of her paved square. The paving will be continued in the spring.

Rev. Payton has charge of the A. M. E. church this year.

Mr. John L. Neal of Minneapolis, Minn. was a business visitor in the city last week.

Mr. Crayton of the Grump barber shop has left the city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Griffin, east of city, entertained a few friends last Sunday at dinner in honor of Mrs. Hunt of Chicago. An interesting program was rendered at the A. M. E. Sunday School last Sunday.

Key Payton left Tuesday morning for his home and will return Thursday with his family.

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Ralph Motis is captain of our football team of the High School.

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Mrs. H. R. Wright was in the city this week visiting relatives and attending the carnival.

Mrs. Chas. Watson and John Reeler of Mason City are here visiting, they are guests of Mrs. L. Taylor, formerly of Webster City.

Mrs. George Suter entertained a few friends at luncheon Saturday evening in honor of Mrs. Watson and Reeler of Mason City.

Mrs. Dollis Spencer of Albia entertained Mrs. Watson and Reeler at dinner Sunday.

Mr. L. L. Brown entertained a number of friends at luncheon Saturday evening in honor of his 46th anniversary. Those present report a pleasant time.

A FARMER CAN MAKE MONEY IN OKLAHOMA EASIER THAN IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE UNITED STATES.

Frank D. Northrup, of Oklahoma Farm Journal, Oklahoma City, who was in Chicago recently, is very enthusiastic over present conditions in Oklahoma and Indian Territories. Farmers are prosperous, farm lands are rising in value, and the country is growing rapidly in population. If the two territories are admitted together the new state will have nearly 1,000,000 people. If Oklahoma is admitted alone it will have a larger population than any other state has had at the time of its admission.

Nearly everything is grown in Oklahoma—corn, wheat, oats and cotton being the staple products. Cow peas and alfalfa are in great favor with farmers and stockmen. Mr. Northrup claims that Oklahoma is unsurpassed for fruit production. He sums up the advantages of the new applicant for statehood by saying that a good farmer can make money in Oklahoma easier than any other part of the United States.

Further information about Oklahoma and Indian Territory is given in "Rock Island State Southwest," a 64-page booklet recently issued by the Passenger Department of the Rock Island System. For a copy write John Sebastian, Passenger Traffic Manager, Chicago, Ill.

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CHICAGO MAN'S HEAD BIGGEST.

How the Sizes Vary in Different Sections of the United States.

A hatter had just finished selling a hat to an Irishman.

"The Irish," he said, "have heads of a graceful shape; long and oval, and very large. The American has a head shaped very much like the Irishman's only it is smaller and slightly rounder."

"The German has a square head, flat on top and very wide between the ears. A German's hat always looks too big for him. It looks so because it is so. In order that it may encompass the head's great breadth it must be bought a little too loose in its other dimensions. Some Germans, who are particular, have their hats made to order on this account."

"I sell hats all over the United States, and I find that heads run bigger West than anywhere else. The Chicago man has the biggest head in America. The Southerner has the smallest. We Easterners—Philadelphians, New Yorkers and Bostonians—all have heads about the same size. That size is on the average 7. The Westerner's size is 7 1/4. The Southerner's is 6 3/4."—Philadelphia Record.

GREAT POWER OF TO-DAY.

Symbol Means as Much, Though Not Waving Over Armed Men.

"I never see the letters S. P. Q. R." observed the professor of history thoughtfully, "without feeling a little thrill of what they once meant to the world. Wherever they were borne over the eagles of the Roman legions the people recognized their masters and paid tribute. There is no emblem of absolute control in the world to-day corresponding to it."

Just then one of the big oil tank wagons, bearing on its sides the familiar legend, "Standard Oil Company," came around the corner, at the sight of which the good professor looked as if he would like to modify his last statement.

MADE THE FLEA TOO STRONG.

Two Over-Zealous Youngsters Worked Themselves Out of a Job.

The working members of a family consisting of a father and two sons found themselves out of employment. After a diligent search, the youngest son found employment on the Roxborough filter plant, helping to dig the excavations.

On the completion of the first day's work he asked Mr. McNichol to give his brother a job. The contractor, ever to the alert for good men, asked the young man if his brother could do as much work as he, and on the strength of this recommendation the elder brother was engaged.

The next day both brothers went to McNichol and pleaded to have their father put on the job.

"Can your father do as much work as either of you boys?" asked McNichol.

"Yes," answered the brothers; "he can do as much work as both of us together."

"Very good," replied McNichol. "Send your father around in the morning and you two stay at home."—Philadelphia Ledger.

FOND OF MILK.

Bishop Coleman, of Delaware, takes a long walking trip every summer. Usually he goes alone, but on one occasion several gentlemen accompanied him. The party toured the White Mountains. On an August afternoon they stopped, very warm and thirsty, at a farmhouse and bought several quarts of milk. Even now, though they were unsatisfied, so the farmer's wife fetched from the spring house no less than three gallons of milk in a pail. Setting this before them, she said: "One would think, gentlemen, that you had never been weaned."—Detroit News-Tribune.

PUTS COMFORT BEFORE LOOKS.

Secretary of War Root is a firm believer in the idea that a soldier should look the soldier when engaged in military work, but he also realizes that in very hot weather some measure of smart appearance must give way to comfort, so he has practically said: "Bother your uniforms; dress as you please." Indeed, he has set the example for his bureau chiefs at the war department by stripping off coat and waistcoat and making himself as nearly comfortable as possible in a becoming colored shirt waist.

PROBABLY KNEW THE WIDOW.

Visits of consolation are not by any means pleasant, and there is no class of men in the world who know it better than ministers of the gospel. They try to be comforting, but it is not always they say just the right thing. "Did the minister say something comforting?" asked the neighbor of a West Philadelphia widow recently bereaved. "Indeed, he did not," was the quick reply. "He said my husband was better off."

A MIDGET FIREMAN.

The smallest volunteer fireman in the world is Leopold Kahn, of White Plains, N. Y., proprietor of a large hotel here. For years Kahn traveled over the world as Admiral Dot. His wife is also a midget and has traveled extensively in the show business.

NEWTON NOTES.

We are having a week of rainy weather as usual.

Rev. and Mrs. Cornelius Wright are now cozily fixed in the parsonage, where they would like to meet all of the members and citizens.

Word was received from Mrs. Amber Moore stating that she was sick in St. Louis, Mo. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is improving at this writing.

Miss Eldora Green visited in Grinnell last week.

Those who attended the annual conference in Des Moines reported a nice time.

Messrs. Jessie Waldon and Kenneth Fine spent Tuesday in Grinnell.

Mrs. E. Pillow and Mr. Wm. Coul who have been quite sick are up and around now.

Messieurs Straughter and Cappel of Colfax entertained Misses Clara and Florence Miller and Ella Mays as out of town guests, in honor of Mrs. Orceot of Washington, from 1 to 4 p. Sunday afternoon.

CEGAR RAPIDS.

Last Tuesday evening a large and appreciative audience listened to Dr. Hubert lecture, subject, "The Light turned on." His many suggestions would be profitable to the race were they heeded.

The Siloam Yacht club held their bi-weekly meeting at the home of Mrs. Hattie Raspberry on Wednesday. Among the visitors were Rev. J. R. Clemens, Mr. W. Raspberry, Madames Mary Frie and J. Robinson. At the close of the meeting the hostess served refreshments in two courses. All spent a delightful afternoon.

Mrs. Louisa Perkins is at home and doing well.

Mr. B. Thomas has returned home from St. Louis where he was called to the bedside of his sick son-in-law, Mr. Frank Morgan.

Our pastor has taken possession of the apartment provided for him on Seventh street. While the furnishings are not yet complete we hope to have him comfortable in a few days.

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Mr. Ben Grayson, an old and highly respected citizen of this town died Saturday evening at his home. He leaves a wife and three children, father and step mother and a host of friends to mourn his death.

Mr. Bishop A. Podexter of Lovilia was in Albia Sunday taking items for the Buxton Engine.

Miss Bessie Davis has been appointed as correspondent of Albia for the Buxton Engine.

Quite an excitement was created at the Q depot on Wednesday about noon when Mr. Humbles shot and seriously wounded her, but she is improving slowly at this writing. Mr. Humbles was placed in the county jail at this place to await trial.

BOONE.

Mr. Chas. Johnson and children have gone to Louisville, Kentucky.

Little Blanche Scroggins is quite ill of jaundice at her home on Rynyon street.

Mr. Lewis Williams and mother are visiting in Omaha.

Mr. David Thomas has accepted the position of night porter at the Wells' House; the same having been left vacant by Chas. Coleman Jr.

Mrs. Georgina Shamley is spending a week at the home of Mrs. Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor are at home to their friends at 707 Rynyon street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Patton and Mrs. Blanche Washington have returned from Oleson, Mo., after having buried little Bernice Margarine who died last Tuesday.

Mrs. Jas. Robinson has gone to Fort Madison to visit her mother-in-law.

Mrs. Malanika of Springfield, Ill. was in the city over Sunday soliciting aid for the Ambidexter university.

Chas. Coleman Jr. has returned from Willow River, Minn., where he bought 80 acres of land. J. W. Starks, a short time ago, purchased 200 acres at the same place.

Rev. Peterson preached his first sermon here to a large and appreciative audience Sunday evening. He administered the Lord's supper at the close.

CLINTON ITEMS.

Miss Lucretia Allen of Rock Island visited in Clinton last week, the guests of Mr. and Wm. Dudson of Elm street.

The choir of Bethel A. M. E. church met last Friday night for reorganization. The following officers were elected: Director and manager, Rev. W. H. Spence; assistant manager, A. A. Bush; organist, Mrs. Annetta Stewart; assistant organist, Mrs. Fred Aikens; secretary, Miss Aimee Dudson; treasurer, Mrs. Holland Williams; committee on