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CITY NEWS.

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Evening meeting at 7:45, subject, "Our Resurrection"

Rev. H. W. Porter, pastor. Corinthian.

The Corinthian Baptist church will be nicely decorated with flowers, etc. The morning sermon will be "The Resurrection." The choir will render some special Easter music. The Sunday School is planning a good programme and many of the families are contemplating bringing their dinners and remaining until after the Sunday School exercises are over.

In the evening Rev. Griffith will preach a special sermon.

Rev. T. L. Griffith, pastor. A. M. E.

Easter services at St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal church at 11 a. m.: Organ Voluntary.

Doxology.

Anthem, "He Is Risen." Prayer.

Anthem, selected. Scripture, John 21st chapter. Song, Choir.

Sermon, by the pastor, "The Man of Nazareth."

Chant, Our Father. Reception of members. Offering.

Recessional. Class meeting.

At 3 p. m. the Sunday School will render a special Easter Drama, prepared by the Sunday School Union at Nashville, Tenn.

In the evening at 8 o'clock King Solomon Commandry No. 6, Knight Templars, will have charge of the services:

Song, "Onward Christian Soldier." Prayer, Prelate W. H. Humburd.

Song, "Praise Thee O, God," Choir. Scripture Reading, W. H. Humburd.

Solo, Miss Ethel Bowmer "The Divine of Masonry J. H. Mixon The Apostle Creed, Prelate W. H. Humburd.

Song, "What Shall I Render," Choir. Sermon, Rev. W. Sampson Brooks.

Song, Selection, Choir. Easter Offering, Sir Knights.

Easter Offering, Congregation, Song, Selection, Choir.

Rev. W. Sampson Brooks, pastor.

When Pride comes Between

So many of the little chafing problems of married life could be mastered, so many of the mists of misunderstanding could be dissipated by the sunshine of love, so many of the discords in the music of home could be translated into harmonies if false pride did not so often come between, writes William George Jordan in the April Delineator.

True pride is the guardian and protector of what is best in us; false pride is the sullen defender and apologist of our weakness.

Life has so much real pain and sorrow so many dark clouds floating over the sky of home, care and trouble that seemingly no human foresight can prevent, that it seems almost extravagant to manufacture troubles merely to offer them as sacrifices on the altar of vanity, this false pride.

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CEGAR RAPIDS NOTES.

The J. S. Y. club held their weekly meeting last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. W. M. Robinson. The study is still on the history of the Negro in America. The club will meet next week with Mrs. E. C. Thomas.

The Mite Missionary society was organized Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. M. Lewis.

Mrs. G. Gray who has been confined to her bed with illness since her return from Chicago several days ago is able to be about the house again.

The Progressive Club held their weekly meeting last Friday evening at the home of Rev. A. Ford Subject for discussion, The Origin of Negro.

Mrs. Allie Boyd is entertaining her aunt Mrs. Sawyer of Chicago.

Mrs. Myrtle Martin is able to be out again.

Miss Eva Hunt of Washington, D. C. is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Blackburn.

Mrs. M. F. Lowery is now agent of the A. M. E. church periodical; you who wish to keep posted on church progress and race advancement in general should give her your subscription.

The Christian Endeavor are doing splendid work with Mr. Raymond Jackson is President.

A number of young men gave a pleasant stag party last Friday evening at the home of Mr. Harry Worn, complimentary to him. The evening was spent in progressive whist. Mr. Sam Kooker and Mr. Robert Thompson proved to be champions of the evening.

Mrs. Agie Marshall is a victim of lagrippe this week.

Mr. W. Milligan is in Minneapolis this week where he was called by the dangerous illness of his son Edward, who he will bring home as soon as he is able to travel.

FAIRFIELD CLEANINGS.

The A. M. E. church is in a flourishing condition at this place considering it being a new organization. They have secured a permanent place to hold services and have spent \$75.00 in putting the place in proper shape, with everything paid up to date.

What's the matter with Fairfield, she's all right. Who's all right Fairfield.

The trustees of the church gave their first social March 14 at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Burnett, was a grand success both socially and financially.

Messrs Hutchison and Greenup attended quarterly meeting at Mt. Pleasant the 24th.

Rev. R. H. Hackley will divide his Sunday School so as to have two programmes on Easter, the school has about thirty-five to take part on the programme.

"Billie Sunday will hold meetings in Fairfield beginning April 4th in a large tabernacle built for that purpose at the cost of \$3,000.

Mrs. Geo. Johnson is much improved after being confined to her bed for about three months.

Mrs. B. J. Fuller has recovered a weeds illness.

DUBUQUE DOTS.

The Presiding Elder has failed to appoint a pastor for Dubuque at last accounts.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson is visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Edward Martin 253 Julien Avenue.

Mrs. John Wells has been confined to her home with mumps.

Mrs. W. B. Hayes has recovered from her recent illness.

Mrs. Dr. H. C. Rose continues to improve, but very slowly.

Isaac Smith had a severe attack of asthma is also.

A very pleasant affair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Green 49 W. Eighth street was a birthday party given in honor of Ida Green nine years on Thursday March 15. A large number of children were present and had a real game time.

Mr. Edward Martin is on the sick list. The Jolliers have not had a session for two weeks, owing to illness in the families of several of the members.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hayes entertained a number of their friends Sunday.

D. S. CHAMBERLAIN RETURNS FROM AFRICA.

With his face well tanned by African suns and roughened by the salt sea breezes, D. S. Chamberlain, who has just returned from a tour through the "dark continent" greeted his Des Moines friends yesterday. He declares that he is in excellent health and that he was not afflicted with sea sickness an hour during the several weeks he spent on board boat.

"I set sail for Quebec Nov. 26 for Liverpool and London. I left South Hampton for Cape Town Dec. 1, and during the long trip did not meet a single American. After four days' sail we spent six hours at the island of Madeira and then we were out of sight of land for thirteen days. Table mountain suddenly loomed up in the offing and breaking the hitherto uninterrupted view over the wild waves." He continued:

Des Moines Man There.

Practically the only Iowan I met in my tours of Africa, which included a trip around the entire continent was "Curio" Brown, a son of Leonard Brown of Des Moines. Mr. Brown attained his novel nickname as a result of his entrance into the country as a member of a Smithsonian institution expedition He settled near Salisbury, where he has a fine ranch of 20,000 acres. He has a 600 acre field of corn which will average forty bushels per acre and for which he will receive about \$1.25 per bushel. It is raised by kaffir labor. He also has a quartz mill on his ranch and is prospering. Near him I met

Dr. Jameson, who commanded the famous expedition sent out by Cecil Rhodes.

Few people realize the size of Africa, the distance around it being considerably greater than around North America. The larger portion of it, especially the interior, is practically unknown and is said to contain remarkable commercial possibilities for the men who will develop them.

Cities Are Modern.

Capetown is a city of about 200,000 and is the equal or superior of many of our cities. Johannesburg is a delightful place, being like Denver and Pasadena combined. It has an excellent climate, as has the Transvaal and Natal as a whole. The buildings are strictly modern, the business blocks being constructed of brick or stone. A large amount of galvanized iron is used in roofing. The native residents are just like the Negro inhabitants of our southern cities. The cities, like all cities under British control, are especially well policed and the streets kept in fine condition. Johannesburg has better street car service than Des Moines.

I traveled about 3,000 miles by railway and was well pleased with the roads. The trains make good time and the accommodations are practically the same as on our American railroads.

American Trade Hurt.

The New York insurance investigation and the packing house exposures have practically killed American business in those lines in that country. It is remarkable how many people there have read "The Jungle" and the strange thing is that nearly every one of them accepts its charges as the gospel truth. The Mutual Life Insurance company of New York has a \$1,500,000 building in Capetown and was doing a big business in that section prior to the insurance investigation. It has lost the bulk of it and the insurance companies of other countries are reaping a golden harvest in consequence.

East Coast Beautiful

The most beautiful section is along the east coast the east coast where palms, coconuts, bananas, cloves and practically all tropical products are raised. The only trouble is that it is hot and damp and malaria reeks everywhere.

No, I wasn't bothered with snow, sleet or frost during the winter. The temperature averaged between 125 and 110 in the shade.—Register & Leader

BUXTON NEWS. Church Social and Business

The Mt. Zion Baptist church is having a very successful revival, conducted by Rev. J. H. Sears and Rev. C. H. Mendenhall, the pastor. There have been a large number of conversions.

Presiding Elder Gordon was at the St. John A. M. E. church on last Sunday.

All the churches of the city are making elaborate preparations for Easter.

The Knights of Pythias turned out with the Buxton band on last Sunday and had their annual sermon at the Mt. Zion Baptist church.

The public school is not in session this week, as the teachers are in Albion attending the Teachers' Institute.

The Canadian Jubilee Singers presented a unique and delightful program at the auditorium on Wednesday night.

MOBERLY

Mrs. Madison and grandson are in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. D. Lovely.

Miss Ella Boone who has been very ill is some better.

Mrs. Bettie Page entertained the Boone family at her home Wednesday.

Miss Myrtle Vaughn who has just closed a successful school near Yates is home.

Prof Dudley Baker is home on the sick list.

Mrs. Cleota Burris has organized a club, known as the Busy Bees. This club is composed of little girls and meets every Saturday afternoon.

Miss Maud Good entertained the Ladies Aid Society at the residence of Mrs. Urbana Bagby's. The hostess served an elegant luncheon. Mrs. J. S. Paey will entertain them next week.

Mrs. Harvey Renfro is in the city, the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Sylvia Nelson.

Prof. S. T. Petigrew, G. M. of U. B. F. Lodge, was in the city Saturday, guest of Prof. A. B. Holden.

Mr. Robert Renfro who has been in Oklahoma on a combined business and pleasure trip, is home and reports having a splendid time.

Mr. John Smith who has been confined to his home on Fiske avenue, is able to be up.

Mrs. Anna Williams and daughter Camie visited in Huntsville last week.

MINNEAPOLIS BUDGETARIAN.

Spring, beautiful spring has come at last.

Quarterly meeting was observed Sunday the 24th at St. James church the services were largely attended all day. At 3 o'clock Rev. Horace S. Graves of St. Paul filled the pulpit, preaching a rousing sermon, a number came over from St. Paul. The Presiding Elder, Geo. W. Gaines, preached morning and evening. The choir rendered excellent music.

The Loyal Legion of Labor will hold one of its educational sessions at St. James church, St. Paul in April.

The funeral of Mr. Harding who died at his home in Excelsior last week was held from Modlin and Green's Undertaking parlors, Saturday afternoon. Rev. Wade officiating. The remains were shipped to Michigan for burial. His wife accompanying them.

April 7 is quarterly meeting at St. Peters church. Be sure and attend.

The wedding bells will ring early in April, so Dame Rumor says, when a very popular young man of So. 4th street will be causing half the trouble.

Don't fail to see the popular drama, entitled "Hickory Farm" which will be given at St. James church in the near future by some of the leading talent of the city.

Mr. John Sellers is much improved at this writing.

The revival services at the Zion Mission are meeting with success, several accessions have been made.

Mrs. John Griffin is seriously ill at this writing.

April seems to be the month of entertainments in our city.

Mr. W. H. Milligan of Cedar Rapids was in the city last week, being called here to the bedside of his sick son, Edward. He returned home Friday evening.

The Tuesday Industrial club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Wade. A splendid report of the Sunshine committee was listened to with an appropriate programme, after refreshments the club adjourned.

Revs. Gaines, Wade and Wilson attended the Ministers' Union in St. Paul Monday morning.

ALBIA NEWS.

Rev. Robinson and his assistants continued their services at the A. M. E. church this week. A number from Buxton, and Hocking attending.

Mr. H. Snoddy has sold his home to Mrs. Jameson, Mr. Snoddy thinks of going West this summer.

Mrs. Della Martin is very sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Butler and son Lawrence were in attending the meeting Sunday.

Among the new converts to the A. M. E. church during the revival were Misses Mildred and Ora Lewis and Mr. Donald Thomas.

MARLIN TEXAS

Special to Bystander.

Texas the state yields wealth, Marlin a city in Texas produces health.

Marlin is a wide awake and progressive city of about 5,000 inhabitants situated on the Waco Branch of the Houston and Texas Central R. R., it is the central point of train making connection with all points in the United States.

Marlin has a mineral spring, it cures rheumatism, catarrh, constipation, syphilis, sciatica, eczema and many other blood and skin disease. It will not cure consumption, nor chronic paralysis of long standing unless caused by syphilis or rheumatism. The water contains alkaline, stron etc; it has been recognized by eminent men, among them the late health officer Swearingen, who visit here and has sent many patients here. The well is 3350 feet deep and has a daily flow of 150,000 gallons. The health seekers ranging from 15,000 to 50,000. We have four nice hotels the Hegon, Armada and Tally House and other private boarding houses; have colored grocery store \$5,000 stock, The Falls County Merchants and the Farmers Improvement Society have a store on Main street.

There are four barber-shop here, the Afro-American news stand gets all the colored newspapers and magazines of all kind for our people.

Hon. T. A. Smith who was once a soldier in the Ninth Cavalry during that fight at San Juan Hill has organized a stock company and business league for the race, they bought land out in the 'suburban where they will build a fine park with a skating rink, a pavillion and base-ball diamond for the amusement of those who come to the spring. The base-ball club is doing good work, it is owned by F. S. Jackson and Mc Richardson and H. E. Jackson captain.

LOOKING WELL.

Thus writes Rev. O. W. Catlin, Pella Iowa.

Pella, Ia, August 10, 1905.

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that I am "looking" better than I did three months ago, and that it is all because I am "looking" through glasses fitted to my eyes by Dr. Lew Arntz, of Des Moines, opposite the street car station.

Now this is no joke: I have tried several years to get the help I needed for my eyes, once in Fairfield, one in Burlington, twice in Chicago. It would take \$75 to foot the bills all told. Each time I was told that all had been done that could be, but it remained for Dr. Lew Arntz to do for me more than they all.

It is almost like a miracle the way he has corrected my vision. I have said as much to many of my friends as I have met them and seen their need of help. I take this way to tell many more whom I may not see until it be too late to help them, or perhaps, not at all.

I would rather have Dr. Lew Arntz's ability to help the human vision than to be a millionaire. It is a fortune in itself besides in its use it scatters blessings on every side.

If you have any trouble with your eyes no matter what it is, remember it will cost you nothing to have him examine them and that he will tell you just what can be done and will do it if you give him a chance. I find him very reasonable in his charges. Remember he does more than merely fit a pair of glasses; it may mean a number of them as he develops your vision. You may be sure I am glad that my experience will let me say these things and I ask my friends to take this as a personal letter.

Hopefully yours

REV. O. W. CATLIN,

GALESBURG, ILL.

(Special to Bystander.)

Galesburg, March 25.—Mr. Watie V. Murray departed this life at 12:45 Monday night, March 18, 1907, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Callie Simms Powers. He was sick five weeks and had been home from Chicago five weeks to the day he died. He was born March 23, 1878. He was a member of the Allen A. M. E. church. He leaves to mourn his death his wife, Mrs. Ollie Pettiford Murray; a sister, Mrs. Callie Powers; a stepfather, Mr. Wm. Simms of Rock Island and three aunts and one uncle in Galesburg.

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Almost Blind for 15 Years

Can Now See Perfectly

Bertha Larson, a much esteemed young lady of Buxton, Iowa, who was almost blind for fifteen years, can today see perfectly. The public will probably be interested in learning how almost total blindness can be overcome by human skill. The following is her letter to the public:

Buxton, Ia., Nov. 2, 1905.

"I am now 20 years old, and not until about eight months ago was I able to read ordinary print. When I was 5 years old I had the measles, which left my eyes almost blind. My parents tried in vain for fifteen years to get help for me, but never succeeded until I heard of Dr. Lew Arntz, of Des Moines, Iowa, whom I consulted, and had to fit my eyes with glasses, which have brought out perfect sight. I can now read fine print easily, and can also see at a distance the same as other people. My parents tried all kinds of remedies for me when I was a child, but at last gave up in despair, as a specialist informed them when I was about 4 years old that nothing could be done, as my eyes contained practically no sight. What I most regret is that I had no chance to get an education because I could not see to read.

"If Dr. Lew Arntz had been consulted ten years ago I might have attended school like other children.

MISS BERTHA LARSON, Who Was Almost Blind Fifteen Years.

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